

Carey, N.O. Mather School To Merge

William Carey College in Hattiesburg and the Mather School of Nursing in New Orleans have announced plans for a merging of the two schools.

According to Dr. J. Ralph Noonkester, president of William Carey College, the Mather diploma program in nursing will become a full baccalaureate program beginning in the fall of 1969 and will be an official part of the Carey College curriculum.

Southern Baptist Hospital executive director, Raymond Wilson, explained that nursing students will, in the future, be enrolled at William Carey College as regular bachelor's degree candidates but will spend one semester each of their sophomore, junior, and senior years in residence at the Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans.

Final stages of preparation for the inauguration of the new program are now underway. Recent meetings to discuss details of the merger were attended by outstanding nursing personnel on the national, state, and local levels.

Dr. Dorothy Ozimek, from New York, associate director of the baccalaureate and higher degree programs of the National League for Nursing, and a number of other nursing education specialists from Jackson, Mississippi and New Orleans, were on the Carey campus for a two-day conference in March.

Included in this number were: Miss Annie M. Tucker, nursing education consultant for the Board of Trustees, State Institutions of Higher Learning of Mississippi; Miss Fannie Belle Young, executive secretary, Nurses' Board of Examination and Registration of Mississippi; Mrs. Shirley Morrison, director of the Mather School of Nursing of the Southern Baptist Hospital; Dr. Joseph M. Ernest, Jr., academic vice-president of William Carey College; and Miss Ann Ernest, director of student activities at Mather School of Nursing.

"For many months," commented Dr. Noonkester, "Carey has been in contact with the Southern Baptist Hospital concerning this move.

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Clarke College Receives A Bequest Of \$60,000

The total assets of Clarke Memorial College have been increased by at least \$60,000 recently through a bequest in the will of the late W. Parham Bridges, long-time realtor of Jackson. Mr. Bridges bequeathed to the college a valuable piece of property on North State Street in Jackson with the designation that the income from the property shall be used for

the purpose of assisting worthy students attending Clarke College.

This bequest is one of the six largest gifts ever to come to the Baptist junior college in its sixty-one years of service in the field of Christian education. Since Clarke allocates for student aid more than \$35,000 per year in scholarships and work scholarships, the new bequest is most welcome. The designated income will help provide the needed funds for the assistance of students with their college expenses. The College Board of Trustees in a recent meeting established the "Parham Bridges Memorial Fund" in accord with the designation made by the donor.

Born in Madison, Mississippi in 1894, Mr. Bridges was a graduate of the Jackson Public Schools and attended Millsaps College and the University of Virginia. During World War I, he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Army. After the war, he entered the Bridges firm established by his father in 1900. Mr. Bridges assumed full management of the firm upon his father's death and, with the exception of a few years service as the first State Director of the Federal Housing Administration, was active in this capacity until his death.

Mr. Bridges was a member of Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson and in the last years of his life he had been a member of Calvary longer than any other living person — a period of almost 65 years. He served on numerous committees in his church and he personally selected the site on which the present Calvary Church plant was erected. Through the years he contributed regularly and generously to his own church and to many other Christian causes. He had made a number of gifts to Clarke College, especially during the "Greater Clarke College Expansion Program" beginning in 1960. The property bequest was one of several such bequests to religious, educational and benevolent institutions.

The administrator of the estate is W. P. Bridges, Jr., prominent real estate developer and mortgage loan executive who has been associated

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SBC Budget Gifts Decrease In March

NASHVILLE (BP)—Missions giving through the Southern Convention's Cooperative Program unified budget for the first quarter of 1969 increased by nearly six per cent over first quarter gifts of 1968, despite a nearly five per cent decrease during the month of March, the SBC Executive Committee reported here.

During the first three months of 1969, a total of \$6,985,208 went to SBC missions causes through the national Cooperative Program, an increase of \$363,419 or 5.97 per cent over Cooperative Program contributions during the first quarter of 1968.

Total missions gifts, both Cooperative Program and designated contributions to specific causes, for the quarter totaled \$21,243,708, up \$1,322,852 or 6.64 per cent when compared to first quarter gifts of 1968.

During the month of March, Cooperative Program gifts were \$2,003,518, a 4.94 per cent decrease when compared to Cooperative Program giving for March of 1968.

John H. Williams, financial planning secretary for the SBC Executive Committee which prepared the report, pointed out that the \$363,419 Cooperative Program increase for 1969 was somewhat deceiving, however, because it includes at least \$200,000 or more which probably should have come in during the previous year.

Williams said that when you com-

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Life Commitment Sunday To Be Held April 27

TV DOCUMENTARY ABOUT BAPTIST WORK IN COLOMBIA SCHEDULED

FORT WORTH (BP)—A half-hour color television documentary on Southern Baptist missions work in Colombia and other South American countries will be telecast nationwide by the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS-TV), Sunday, April 27, at 10:00 p. m. Eastern Standard Time.

The Southern Baptist Convention's Radio and Television Commission here produced the program in association with CBS-TV.

Filmed largely in the city of Cali, Colombia and the surrounding area, title of the documentary will be "The Baptists of Cali." The film centers on activities of the International Baptist Theological Seminary in Cali, Colombia.

Baptist officials explained that the seminary is the hub of Southern Baptists' mission thrust in the region and surrounding countries.

A Cause - A Call - A Commitment

By David K. Alexander

One of my favorite stories is that told by Albert McClellan, program planning secretary, SBC executive committee, about his three-year-old son. The boy was sitting in his "high chair" when he asked for a banana. His mother promptly stepped to the cupboard and picked out a choice one. She thoughtfully peeled it; and holding it at the bottom by the end of

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Conference Seeks Solutions To Church's Role In Crisis

By Jim Newton

CHICAGO (BP)—A Southern Baptist conference on "The Church's Role in the National Crisis" ended on a note of optimism here, with speaker after speaker indicating that there is hope that the Southern Baptist Convention can play a creative role in finding solutions.

The pastors of six churches shared with 250 Baptist leaders what their congregations are trying to do, to find solutions to some of the problems that plague the nation. Each one indicated there is hope, but it is a struggle.

How the church can minister with integrity and honesty to youth separated from many Southern Baptists

by a generation gap, and to Negroes, separated by a color and cultural barrier, seemed to be the major question confronting the conference.

Significantly, the conference sponsored by the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission was held at the University of Chicago campus in the midst of a ghetto where Black people have demonstrated alienation from white society; and where students recently demonstrated the intensity of the generation gap.

Two students told the conference of their own experience with the generation gap, and one of the nation's traditional church because he ministered to outcasts.

most influential Black leaders spoke of the problem of racism.

Jesse Jackson, 27-year-old director of Operation Breadbasket for the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and a Baptist preacher, told the group that they must deal with the problem of racism in the white church.

"You've got a crisis in your church," said Jackson, who was pictured the same week by Time magazine as one of the five top black leaders in the country. "Some of you are going to have to deal with that (racism) at the Judgment Bar."

He started his 45-minute address by telling the group, "I know you cats. I wish I could have joined one of your Southern Baptist churches back in South Carolina. But I couldn't have even walked in the door if I weren't a janitor or didn't want to get kicked out or maybe arrested."

Jackson said that the church must follow the example of Jesus, who sought out the oppressed and down-trodden and was kicked out of the

The contrast between the neatly dressed Baptist leaders meeting in the University's modern Center for Continuing Education, and some of the long-haired students on the campus illustrated the extent of the generation gap.

During a discussion period on the generation gap, a student at Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, Okla., Miss Janis Glass, said that the gap was not really between young people and God, but rather between youth and the church.

She recounted her own quest to find relevancy in a Southern Baptist church, saying that she finds her own spiritual renewal in a Catholic church where she sits on the floor with other Christians, sings relevant songs to guitar and engages in brutally honest discussion on the critical issues of the Christian life.

"Why don't we have this in our Southern Baptist churches?" she asked. "Why can't we be honest in the church?"

To both the problems of racism and the generation gap, a half dozen speakers or more offered solutions

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Contracts Let For USM BSU Center

Contracts for construction of the Baptist Student Center building adjacent to the University of Southern Mississippi at Hattiesburg have been awarded by the Executive Committee of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, Jackson, executive secretary of the Convention Board, in making the announcement, said that the three low bidders, all from Hattiesburg, are as follows:

O. L. Simmons, general construction, \$116,750; G. H. McElhaney, mechanical, \$57,043; and Chain Electric Co., electrical, \$27,910 for a total of \$201,703.

Rev. Ralph B. Winders, Jackson, director of the Department of Student Work of the Convention Board, said that construction will start immediately on the Convention Board's block of property lying between 31st and 32nd Avenues on the south side of Montague Street.

The one-story facility, to face 31st Avenue, will contain approximately 10,000 square feet, have brick walls, steel roof structure, carpet and vinyl floors, and air conditioning.

It includes space for assemblies, meeting rooms, lounge, recreation area, prayer room, offices, nursery, kitchen, dining area, work room, storage rooms, library, and rest rooms.

It is so designed that the majority of floor space can have multi-purpose use and accommodate maximum crowds.

The architect is James Warren McClesky, Jr., Hattiesburg, the engineer, Ragon Jones, Gulfport, and Berle Smith, Jackson, is decorator.

Dr. Brooks Wester, pastor of First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, is chairman of the building committee, and other members are: Dr. John E. Barnes, Jr., pastor, Main Street Baptist Church, Hattiesburg; Ethan Moore, Hattiesburg business man and member of the Convention Board; J. Kearney Travis, Jr., Hattiesburg attorney and former president of the Baptist Student Union at the University of Southern Mississippi and the Mississippi Baptist Student Convention; Mr. Winders, and Rev. Louise Farmer, ex-officio, director of Baptist Student Work, University of Southern Mississippi.

SBC Housing Not Critical, Chairman Says

NEW ORLEANS (BP)—The housing situation during the Southern Baptist Convention here June 10-13 is "not yet critical," the chairman of the convention's housing committee, G. Avery Lee, said here in late March.

Lee, pastor of Saint Charles Avenue Baptist Church, reported that the convention housing bureau had placed 7,000 people in 3,000 rooms as of March 25, and that by the first of April, the total would increase to 8,000 persons.

Lee, who added that hotel rooms during the week of the convention are filling rapidly, offered several suggestions to those making hotel reservations:

"Be patient if your confirmation is slow in coming," he said. "The housing bureau makes the assignment, then the hotel sends the confirmation, with a copy to the bureau office."

"If the hotel asks for a deposit, send it. This is standard hotel procedure. Failure to send the deposit could result in 'no room in the inn' on June 10.

"No block reservation requests will be held after April 1. All those rooms will then be returned to the pool for reassignment."

"Please do not try to switch from one hotel to another. One such request is not much of a bother, but a hundred is. If you have a confirmed room, better hold on to it."

"Try to avoid duplicate reservation requests. One man is listed in four different hotels. Man, is he anxious! Many have made more than one request."

"Be patient if your first choices are already filled. An effort will be made to assign accommodations as close as possible to your desires," Lee concluded.

WMU Convention

"Witnessing Unto Me Both--- And---"

By Anne Washburn McWilliams

"Like Elijah... when he fled from Jezebel to the mountains of Moab seeking new answers... many Christians have been bent on discovering a new God, a new message, and a new program.

"But also like Elijah, myriads are coming... to the realization that the world still has the same God... The church still has the same message it has had for 2,000 years, the good news that 'God was in Christ reconciling the world unto Himself.' A new pro-

gram? No. The same one that was given by the Risen Lord when he said, 'Ye shall be witnesses unto Me.' Thus spoke Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, Mississippi Baptists' new executive secretary last week at the 90th annual meeting of Mississippi Woman's

Missionary Union. This program first given by our Risen Lord was underscored in the convention theme: "Witnessing Unto Me Both--- And---" And, dramatically, this emphasis came April 1 and 2.

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NEW OFFICERS to serve the State Baptist Woman's Missionary Union for the coming year were elected as follows, left to right: Mrs. Carey E. Cox, of Clinton, vice-president, (re-elected); Mrs. Vernon May, of Louisville, president; Mrs. D. P. Godman, of Jackson, recording secretary, and Miss Sue Tatum, Yazoo City, assistant recording secretary, both re-elected.



SEVERAL LEADERS AT WMU Convention enjoy moment of fellowship just prior to opening Tuesday morning. From left: Dr. Edwina Robinson, executive secretary; Mrs. W. E. Hannah, Clinton, president; Mrs. R. L. Mathis, Birmingham, speaker; Mrs. Carl Scott, Clovis, N. M., speaker and Rev. Art Compere, missionary to Nigeria. (For additional pictures see inside).

SBC Budget Gifts Decrease in March

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pare the four-month period of December 1968 through March of 1969 to the same four months in 1967-68, Cooperative Program contributions are just barely keeping pace, since it would be an increase of only .29 per cent. The contributing factor is a 16 per cent decrease during the month of December, 1968.

March gifts, which actually decreased 4.94 per cent compared to March of 1968, caused the Cooperative Program picture to look even worse than it was at the end of February, when the three month period (December - February) showed a 1.92 per cent increase.

On the quarterly basis, January-

March, designated gifts increased by 6.97 per cent or \$929,432 to a total of \$14,258,499, the report indicated. Most of that amount included gifts to the SBC, Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions.

The SBC Foreign Mission Board has received \$17.6 million of the \$21.2 million grand total during the first quarter of 1969 in both designated and Cooperative Program gifts. The SBC Home Mission Board has received \$1 1/2 million of the total.

Gifts reported in the quarterly financial statement reflect amounts given only to nation-wide Southern Baptist mission causes, and do not include amounts given to state and local Baptist mission causes.

"Witnessing Unto Me Both--- And---"

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the week before Easter Sunday. For the sixth consecutive year, Mrs. W. E. Hannah of Clinton presided in her own thoroughly charming and capable way. The women, meeting at First Church, Jackson, elected as their new president Mrs. Vernon May, wife of the pastor of First Church, Louisville; and as a gesture of welcome to that office, presented to her a brilliant spray of scarlet roses. Dr. Edwin Robinson, state executive

secretary, WMU, is responsible for a great deal of the planning that makes this annual convention an especially bright spot on the spring calendar.

Framed against red velvet, a world globe drew attention to the Western Hemisphere, and to witnessing through the Crusade of the Americas.

Key speakers considered various ways of witnessing; told of places where a deeper, wider, more concerned witness is needed; and gave

many reasons for continued witnessing, at home and abroad.

WITNESSING IN THE VALLEY OF BACA — Mrs. Carl Scott, wife of the pastor of Central Baptist Church, Clovis, New Mexico, teaches English to foreign women, from more than a dozen countries, who are married to men stationed at Cannon Air Force Base; and for at least ten years she has helped to teach adults to read and write.

"The Valley of Baca," she said, "is a place described in the eighth psalm as a place of difficulty for travelers. Adults who cannot read or write are travelers in the Valley of Baca. I am often asked, 'What does teaching people to read have to do with missions?' My answer is that every man is his own priest before God, and how can he read the Bible and interpret it for himself if he cannot read at all?"

WITNESSING WHEREVER WE FIND THEM was Mrs. Scott's Wednesday morning topic. She recalled, "When I was a child, and my happy home was disrupted because of the death of my mother, and I had to move to a strange place, I received comfort from the fact that the stars I could see were the same stars I had known in my earlier, happier childhood. As I have learned more about God I have found that Christians are in many ways like the stars. . . . Regardless of how dreary the day, or how black the night, Christians are always there and are always shining."

"Only a few are known by name. Many Christians are working and witnessing in out-of-the-way places. They feel that their lives do not count for much. They get discouraged and are frequently disappointed. But they should get encouragement from the fact that the Bible says, 'He knoweth the number of the stars, and he calleth them all by their names.'"

WITNESSING IN TIME OF CONFLICT — Dr. Jesse Fletcher, director, mission support division, FMB, and author of *Bill Wallace of China*, said of witnessing: "The death of colonialism, rather than scratching out missions, has given it a new impetus. God has called us to bear our witness in the midst of civil war in Nigeria. . . . profound hatred in the Middle East, hunger in Biafra. . . . Oh, we wish these things would go away, but wishing does not make it so. . . . We have a great opportunity to bear our witness to the ends of the earth in the midst of turmoil and conflict."

On Tuesday night, Dr. Fletcher presented "The Wimpy Harper Story" in picture and sound. Wimpy Harper, missionary to Africa, was drowned in the sea off the African coast, but his witness for Christ still lives in a mighty way.

LOOKING FORWARD TO AN INCREASING WITNESS IN THE '70's, Mrs. R. L. Mathis, promotion director of WMU, SBC, asked, "What are the dimensions of tomorrow? As Christian people, we might shape the very name of this age. Just as each new discovery has opened up new understandings of the world around us, so, too, God provides for new vistas in our relationship to him and how we might be used by him." In the closing message of the convention, Mrs. Mathis talked of the Baptist women of the world, and of their responsibility as witnesses.

Mrs. Baker J. Cauthen, wife of the executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, and former missionary to China, brought the devotional message for each session. The grace-

ful, lovely, soft-voiced lady was born in China, the daughter of Baptist missionaries.

Rev. and Mrs. Harold Watson told of "Our Witness in the Philippines," in the heart of the Pacific. Mrs. Charles Whitten, missionary to Spain, spoke of "Witnesses Today and Tomorrow in the Land of the Long Yesterday." Other missionaries on program included Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Calcoete, Japan; W. Arthur Compere, Nigeria; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Davis, Biafra; Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Robertson, Nigeria; and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Thurman, Pakistan.

WITNESSING UNTO ME IN PAKISTAN, a feature of Tuesday night's program, was one of the most inspiring, and yet most heartbreaking, of the missionary messages. Mr. and Mrs. Thurman, dressed as natives of Pakistan, stood together, and spoke alternately of the needs of that people-packed country, on the opposite side of the world, where leprosy is rampant, where thousands of hungry children beg for a bite of bread, where the future of Moslem women is as black as the heavy veils they wear, and where spiritual starvation is as great as the physical starvation.

Ending his message with a note of hope, Mr. Thurman said, "We can take the country for God, in His power — and we have His power."

"Do You Really Care" sang Beth and R. L. Sigrest, the young adult couple from Yazoo City who presented in their joyous, marvelously talented way the convention's special music: "Do You Really Care?"

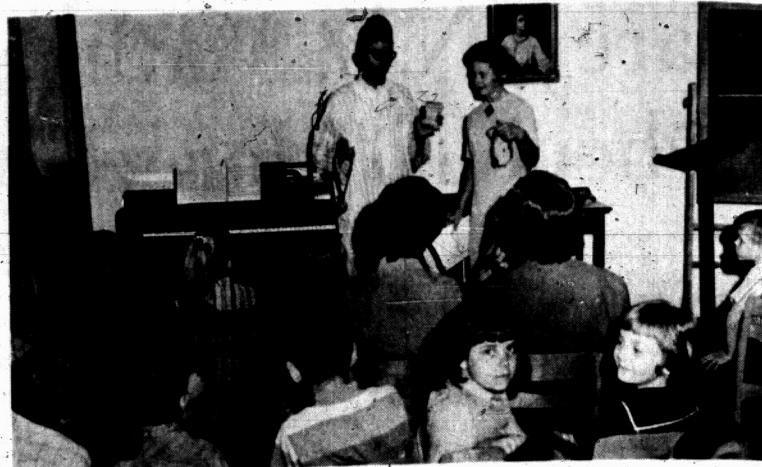
Many people have no respect for age unless it's bottled.

Wild oats is the favorite cereal of all juvenile delinquents.

The secret of prayer is prayer in secret.



MRS. CHARLES WHITTEN, missionary to Spain, shows slides of the work there to group of GA members at GA Gathering Tuesday night. Standing in rear is Miss Marjean Patterson, state WMS director.



GROUP AT SUMBEAM MEETING at Calvary Church Tuesday afternoon sees Rev. Art Compere, missionary to Nigeria, show several native items to Miss Waudine Storey, state Sunbeam director.



MRS. O. M. JONES, manager of the Baptist Bookstore, shows new book in book store exhibit to Dr. Leroy Green, pastor of Prentiss Church, and Mrs. Green.



MRS. BAKER JAMES CAUTHEN, Richmond, worship leader, (left), chats with Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Thurman, missionaries to Pakistan.



NEWS BRIEFS

British Baptist Baptisms Increase

Although there was a net membership loss during the past year among Baptists in Great Britain and Ireland, the number of converts baptized increased. Further, even membership losses were not universal.

The 1968 membership statistic for Baptists in England, Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland, and the Irish Republic, as reported by the weekly Baptist Times, was 280,867. By comparison, 1967 membership was 284,999.

Baptisms increased by 425 over the previous year to reach 6,740 during 1968. "This may reflect some of the results of the Billy Graham Greater London Crusade of 1967, though there was an actual fall of 60 in the number of baptisms in the Metropolitan (London) area," the newspaper commented.

Four Baptist unions operate within the geographical area represented in the statistics. They are the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland, which is the largest; the Baptist Union of Scotland, the Baptist Union of Wales and Monmouthshire, and the Baptist Union of Ireland. The latter includes Northern Ireland and the Irish Republic. —(EBPS)

Brazil's Protestant Population Now Estimated At 10 Per Cent

SAO PAULO (RNS)—Approximately 10 per cent of the 89.4 million people in predominantly Roman Catholic Brazil are now Protestant, according to the Missionary Information Bureau (MIB) here.

The figure is based upon constituency in "declared Protestant families" and not on full membership. MIB listed 2.9 million members of Protestant Churches as of Dec. 31, 1968. This was 11 million more than listed in 1960. Members of Protestant families were set at 8.7 million.

Missionary Information Bureau represents evangelical mission work in the nation. Its figures showed there were 12,800 Protestant churches and 11,000 preaching points in the country.

A total of 2,901 foreign missions work in Brazil, according to MIB. This is an increase of 400 over April, 1967.

tions and advertising from the University of Southern Mississippi.

Moore Appointed SBC Field Representative

A 30-year veteran of European service has been appointed European field representative for the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, USA. He is John Allen Moore, 56, appointed as of April 1.

Moore is well-known to Baptists of Europe as missions professor at the Baptist seminary in Ruschlikon, Switzerland, and as the board's fraternal representative with Baptist unions in eastern Europe. He is also former director of European Baptist Press Service.

"Few Americans are as well acquainted with Europe and with European Baptists as he is, and he has the respect and confidence of Europeans and missionaries," said J. D. Hughey, mission board area secretary for Europe, the Middle East, and North Africa.

As European field representative, Moore will assist Hughey in European

Moore will give up teaching at Ruschlikon but will maintain his connection with Baptists of eastern Europe. He will continue for the present to live in Basel, neighboring community to Ruschlikon. —(EBPS)



THE ABOVE MOTHERS of missionaries were introduced at the WMU Convention April 1 and 2. Photo at left: first row, left to right, Mrs. J. M. Henderson, Mrs. D. L. Johnson, Mrs. A. J. Merritt, Mrs. W. B. Alexander, Mrs. J. M. Kirkpatrick;



second row, left to right, Mrs. W. C. Bule, Mrs. C. O. Trenor, Mrs. John Carley, Mrs. C. C. Applewhite, and Mrs. J. P. McMullan. Photo at right: left to right, Mrs. W. S. Calcoete, Mrs. Martin J. Gilbert, Mrs. Lewis Myers, Sr., Mrs. Joe Canzoneri.

Mothers Of Missionaries

Conference Seeks Solutions

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and told of specific Baptist churches that are earnestly seeking to minister to youth and to Negro people with integrity.

The pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Chicago, John Fry, told of his church's efforts to minister to the black ghetto area of South Side Chicago only six blocks from the university, and said that because his church has sought to help the downtrodden, it has begun to suffer the indignities that are heaped upon outcasts.

He said his church was trying to play the role of prophet by speaking in behalf of those so lowly that they cannot be heard with justice. He said there were 105,000 people in the south side ghetto who "have no standing and voice in this corrupt and perverse city."

Fry told of his church's deep involvement in political action from the precinct level up. He said the church even had a banner campaigning for one candidate spread across the bell tower. In a discussion period, he said the church was hoping to "knock off Mayor (Richard) Daley in 1971."

He added that it is impossible to take political action without taking sides. Fry said that he and his church had decided to take the side of the oppressed people of the ghetto, and the side of a street gang called the

Blackstone Rangers who have "brought peace and order to the area."

"Christ surely is not a part of the contemporary oppressive system or among the club swingers or city politicians who allow clubs to be swung, but Christ is among those upon whom clubs are swung," Fry said.

He told of his church's efforts to help the people by throwing open the church facilities to them for their meetings, by political action, by providing attorneys and financial support to help the people, by a program called "Big Sisters-Little Sisters" to help adolescent girls who have no homes, by participation in War on Poverty programs, and by working with poverty-stricken children in the area of education and cultural development.

A Southern Baptist pastor of an integrated church, John Nichol of Oakhurst Baptist Church in Decatur, Ga., shared his experiences in trying to minister to a community that has been changing from white to black.

Nichol said the Oakhurst church in an Atlanta suburb decided to remain in the area and try to minister to the whole community, and that the decision not to move was made on the basis of the church's understanding of the Biblical revelation and their in-

dustry as a part of the body of Christ.

In order to maintain its integrity, the church must be willing to risk failure in the minds of others, added Nichol. He cited a need to adopt Biblical standards of success instead of cultural, material and statistical standards.

Another Baptist pastor, Brooks Ramsey of Second Baptist Church in Memphis, shared in the closing address his personal experience as pastor of a church that has struggled with the racial question.

Ramsey told of efforts to fire him as pastor because of his views on the race issue, his participation in the march to city hall following the death of Martin Luther King Jr., and his sermons on the racial question. Instead of firing the pastor, however, the church voted to fire the deacons and elect a new slate of leaders more responsive to the pastor's leadership.

Ramsey said that the major thing that the church must seek is integrity to the truth of God.

He urged those attending the conference to return to their churches and enforce upon people who cry out against the "social gospel" that "there is no real gospel that does not have its binding social imperatives. . . . Let us tell them that lovingly but fearlessly."

In another major address, the president of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, Gordon Clinard of San Angelo, Tex., called for a proper balance between evangelism and social ethics.

Clinard, pastor of First Baptist Church in San Angelo, Tex., said that all major and effective evangelistic efforts throughout history involved social reforms.

In another major address, Jack Noffsinger, pastor of Knollwood Baptist Church in Winston-Salem, N. C., told of at least eight churches that were using different methods to try to bridge the generation gap, but added that he frankly doubted that many Baptist churches were much concerned with bridging this gap.

"Churches which are at least at-

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The most valuable antiques are old friends. The best tranquilizer is a clear conscience.

Military Reviews Army Ban On Religion In Character Talks

WASHINGTON (BP)—The tempest that is brewing in the Army's teapot regarding a policy to delete all passages "with religious connotations" from certain training materials may turn out to advance the cause of defining more precisely the meaning of church-state separation.

Among the ingredients in question are these:

- (1) Should the Army's character guidance program, compulsory in varying amounts for every officer and enlisted person, be used for religious indoctrination?
- (2) Should any program, prepared under the direction of the office of the chief of chaplains and "normally" conducted by chaplains who are ordained ministers, be compulsory for all servicemen and women?
- (3) Should the chaplain be asked by his commanding officer to perform this teaching as a "military function" when his chief role is that of "spirit-

ual adviser" to those who come to him voluntarily?

These questions began to boil recently when Congressman William G. Bray (R., Ind.) found on the shelf some year-old correspondence from the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) to the U. S. Army.

In a letter dated April 15, 1968 Lawrence Speiser, director of ACLU's Washington office objected to the Army's character guidance program as it is now conducted as a "prohibited establishment of religion."

Speiser's letter cited the "religious flavor" of the character guidance program in "religious references and the use of Biblical texts as a part of these lectures." He asked that the program be reviewed in light of the first amendment guarantee of freedom of religion.

The letter from ACLU was acknowledged first in a telephone call promising a review of the program. Then in December 1968 the request was taken from the back burner in a

letter to Speiser from Robert E. Jordan III, General Counsel of the Department of the Army.

Jordan said that after reviewing the program, the Army was "revising all of the materials in question to eliminate passages with religious connotations."

"I think it is fair to say that the number of such references indicated clearly that inadequate attention had been given to assuring that the character guidance program is wholly secular in its approach to training our personnel on matters of duty, honor and patriotism," the letter from Jordan stated.

"Finally," the Army spokesman said, "we have again emphasized that Army chaplains, in conducting this program, are performing a military function on behalf of the command, and are not to use the program in any way as a religious training program."

He concluded: "The chaplain has an entirely proper role in dealing with

the religious problems of those who come to him of their own volition for religious counseling and guidance, but it is quite important that he separate that role from the one involved in the character guidance program."

The Army's response to ACLU's request that it has eliminated "passages with religious connotations," has produced a mixture of reactions:

The top Army chaplain in Europe, (Col.) Aloysius McElwee, said the decision is "perfectly proper and no threat to the chaplaincy." Character guidance in 1969 will be "a program of ethics — which concern everybody — rather than a program of religion. The chaplain should not use this hour to encourage church attendance or anything else of a religious nature."

George Cummins of the Chaplains Commission of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board agreed that the chaplain is not assigned to conduct character guidance programs primarily for religious purposes, but for

"moral leadership." Even so, he said, the chaplain has the right to bring in the relation of religions to moral principles, but not "to preach a sermon."

Cummins also told Baptist Press that the policy is "nothing new." He pointed out that the chaplain, as the program was originally designed, was only one of a team of persons giving the lectures.

C. Emanuel Carlson, executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, pointed out that the programs have been consistently announced as part of the trainee's preparation for his military duties. "Constitutionally, therefore, these stand on the government's war powers, and not on the military man's right to 'free exercise of his religion'."

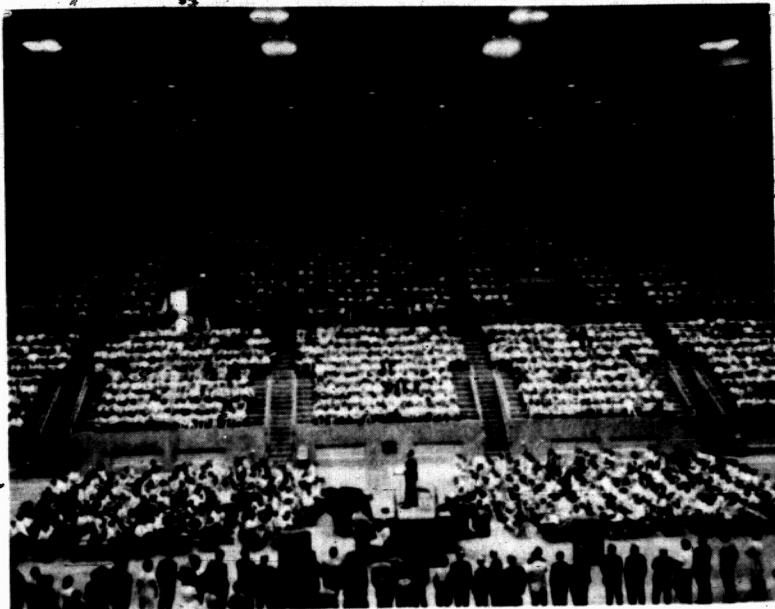
"How much the chaplains have confused these two distinct roles, I do not know," Carlson continued. He said a study would have to be made of the manuals and a lot of lectures

would have to be monitored to make a judgment. "However," Carlson said, "the counsel's statement seems to admit that there was considerable coerced religious exposure."

The upshot of the Army's announcement and the discussion both in congress and elsewhere have caused Secretary of Defense Melvin R. Laird to order a high-level Pentagon review of the entire program and the Army's announced intention to eliminate references to God and religious philosophy from the character guidance program.

Laird has ordered the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manpower and the Pentagon's General Counsel to review the situation "since this is a matter which affects all the services."

The Army orders to the chaplains to stop referring to God and religious philosophy in the character lectures have not been sent out. An Army spokesman has said that the new policy will not be implemented until the Pentagon review is finished.



State Junior Choral Festival

About 2,000 were present from churches all over the state for the State Junior Choral Festival held at the Coliseum in Jackson on Saturday, April 5. Miss Earnestine Ferrell, Supervisor, Public School Music, Department of Education, Jackson, served as guest conductor. Special feature for the day was the Handbell Choir of First Church, Calhoun City. Dan C. Hall is Director, Church Music Department.

Baptist College Directory Released

A new directory of Southern Baptist colleges and seminaries has just been released by the Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention. It is called *Southern Baptist Campus Directory 1969-71*.

The attractive book of 80 pages contains a full page of information concerning every college, seminary, academy and Bible school, operated by Southern Baptists and listed with the Education Commission. Information is given concerning admission, accreditation, curriculum, activities,

costs, available financial aid, etc. This will be a most helpful book of information for any student making decision concerning what school he desires to attend.

ed to every Southern Baptist pastor, according to information from the Education Commission, so students or parents needing such information should contact the pastor. If not available from him, you may write direct to Dr. Rabun L. Brantley, Education, Commission of the SBC, 460 James Robertson Parkway, Nashville, Tennessee, 37219. Copies are available at 25¢ each.

Daniel, Oak Forest Present Easter Music

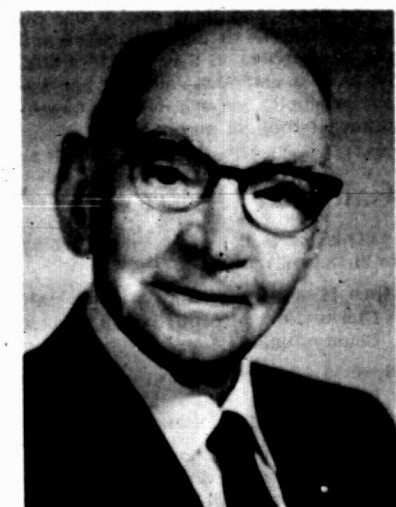
"The Seven Last Words of Christ" was presented jointly by the Adult Choirs of Oak Forest and Daniel Memorial Churches in Jackson on Easter Sunday. Oak Forest was host of the combined choirs at 5 p. m. and the repeat performance was at Daniel Memorial at 7 p. m. This dramatic musical was planned by the music directors of the two churches, Jerry Talley and Billy Jack Green, who enlisted a 65-voice choirs.

Guest soloists for the occasion were Vernon Polk of Grenada and Roland Shaw of Clinton. Mr. Polk is Minister of Music at First Church, Grenada.

Mr. Shaw directs the work of the Jackson Choral Society as well as being an associate professor in the music department at Mississippi College.

The soprano solos were rendered by Mrs. Pat Gaskin and Mrs. Melba Varner, both of Jackson. Len Bobo, of Vicksburg, was at the organ. Mrs. Jerry Talley accompanied at the piano.

Rev. Tom Hudson and Dr. Allen O. Webb, are pastors of the respective churches.



W. Parham Bridges

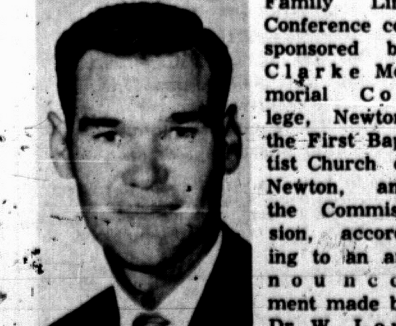
Clarke College - - -

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with his father in the development of real estate and the mortgage loan and insurance business and now is head of the extensive Bridges enterprises. The management of the property has been committed by the College Board of Trustees to the Bridges firm and the income will be used for student aid as designated in the will.

April Family Meet Ready For Newton

Dr. J. Clark Hensley, Executive Director, Christian Action Commission, will be the conference leader at the Family Life Conference co-sponsored by Clarke Memorial College, Newton.



MR. FOWLER

president of the college. The conference is scheduled for

April 20-23, with the day meetings to be held at the college and the night meetings at First Baptist Church, Rev. Hardy Denham, pastor.

One of the principal resource people at the conference will be Rev. Fred Fowler, Pastor, Clark Venable Baptist Church, Decatur. He will discuss "Bridging the Generation Gap," "The Pastor's Role in Family Counseling" and "Adjusting to Marriage in a Changing Society."

Using as the theme "Changing Patterns in Modern Family Living" other conference leaders include Dr. and Mrs. Compere; Rev. A. Eugene Dyess, director, Religious Counseling Center of Mississippi, Jackson; Dr. Beverly Tinnin, pastor, First Baptist Church, Meridian; Mr. Victor Vaughn, director, Student Personnel

Services, Clarke College; and Dr. Hensley.

Pastors and lay people of all denominations are invited to attend the conference.

Theology Institute Planned At Seminary

FORT WORTH (BP)—An Institute of Theology ("IT") has been established for college students at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary here June 23-July 18.

The institute is open to college students who are church vocation volunteers, who have reached senior classification by June 23, and who have a grade point average of 3.0 (on a 4.0 system) or its equivalent.

Life Commitment Sunday To Be Held On April 27

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the peeling, she handed it to the boy. When he took the banana, his mother casually tossed the peeling into the wastebasket in the corner.

Expecting him to be pleased, both parents were amazed to see him greet her action with a frown. He threw the tray back over his head, scrambled down from the high chair, and marched over to the wastebasket to retrieve the peeling. In a flash, he was back in the high chair. He placed the banana in the peeling, drew each panel of the peeling back to its original position, and with great ceremony proudly announced to the whole family, "I'll peel my own banana!"

When it comes to counseling youth in their great moments of decision, there is an increasing air of independence on their part. However, a recent survey by the Southern Baptist Convention Program of Vocational Guidance in cooperation with the Educa-

tion Commission showed that of 2,172 questionnaires circulated to students through 301 churches, parents represented the most available source of help for youth in their vocational choice. Those who had talked with their parents about vocational plans or problems represented 82.7%; another 34.7% felt that they should receive more help from their parents concerning vocational choices.

Questionnaires Mailed

In a related study, questionnaires were mailed to 2400 church vocation volunteers, of which 1,501 responded. They were asked to list influences in the church which helped in their decision. The first ranking was "interest and concern of the church and people in the church." When asked a similar question of the pastor, they ranked first "his continued interest in me as a friend." They also ranked church worship services as having a great influence on their decision.

Several needed actions on the part of pastors were apparent from these studies: a prime need is for pastors to strive earnestly to present a positive image to youth in their churches. Another need is for them to enthusiastically endorse their own work, both by conversation and through preaching and friendships with youth. They are urged to give further time



DISCUSSING the adoption of the Mather School of Nursing into the regular baccalaureate program of William Carey College are officials involved in the details of the program shown above. From left are Mr. Raymond Wilson, executive director of the Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans; Miss Annie M. Tucker, Nurse Education Consultant, Board of Trustees of Institutions of Higher Learning for Mississippi; Dr. Dorothy Ozimek, Associate Director of the Department of Baccalaureate Degree Programs, National League for Nursing, New York City; and Dr. J. Ralph Noonkester, president of William Carey College.

to personal counseling concerning church vocations.

Much help can be given as pastors preach on the meaning of God's call, discuss the needs and opportunities in Southern Baptist churches, and regularly offer invitations for life commitment. Church workers and leaders should take every opportunity to make full use of materials in the area of life commitment in the various quarterlies and periodicals.

N. O. Mather - - - - -

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It is felt by both schools that the three-year diploma program of the Mather School should be expanded to a four-year baccalaureate program.

Carey College seemed to be the logical school with which the New Orleans School could merge. The new program will get underway in the fall semester of 1969.

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Youth Leads The Way

It was necessary that somebody try to call a halt to the mad rush toward the gutter which America has been making in its entertainment. Never before has there been such a barrage of filth, obscenity, nudity, dirt, perverted sex, profanity, etc., as is being thrown at the American public now.

Some adults have tried to do something about. Organizations have been set up to protest to television stations and networks, moving picture producers, book and magazine publishers, etc., but results have not been as great as we could hope for.

Suddenly there appears the dramatic protest of youth themselves, the very ones toward whom much of the filth of this day is directed. In Miami, an entertainer went beyond the bounds of decency in a program before

a large group of youth and some of them began to say, "We have had enough!" The protest gathered momentum until plans were set for a giant protest rally in the Orange Bowl and over 30,000 persons attended. The impact on the nation was so great that plans are now being made for similar rallies in other great cities across the nation. Such a program, called MOD (March of Decency) is scheduled for Jackson's new city auditorium Saturday, April 12. We hope thousands of our fine Baptist young people will attend.

Money - mad, filthy dispensing adults had better sit up and listen, for these young people make up a large segment of America. When young people themselves demand decency we can take heart. As Paul Harvey says, "They are not all bad."

Congratulations To CBS!

Even as we think of what young people are doing in seeking to clean up modern entertainment, there come encouraging signs from other areas. The Columbia Broadcasting Company has just cancelled a show, which, while once very popular, had dropped in its ratings, because of its use of objectionable material. The stars of this show even dared suggest that they were going to use the program to fight the network's censorship. Officials of CBS said "No!", and should have the congratulations of millions of Americans who want decency and cleanliness on the airways.

What many people fail to realize is that there can be fun and entertainment without obscenity and suggestiveness. Humor does not have to be "sick." Four letter words, and other risque expressions, or attacks on America or on religion simply are not funny, and are objectionable to most Americans.

One does not need a court de-

cision, or a jury verdict, to determine whether a book, a moving picture, a theatrical production, or a television or radio program is obscene or otherwise immoral. There are some principles of right and wrong given by an eternal God, which make very clear to any Christian, and other right - thinking individual, that some things are wrong. The new morality, which simply is the "old immorality" with a new name, cannot make right wrong or the impure pure, or the dirty clean, no matter how hard it tries.

We suggest that Americans write to the president of the Columbia Broadcasting Company congratulating him and his company on the cancellation of the unacceptable programs, and encouraging him to continue to see that such programs are not carried in the future.

His name is Mr. Robert Wood, Columbia Broadcasting System, 51 West 52nd St., New York, N. Y., 10019.

Have Faith In God

We have just read a book, which is one of the finest testimonies to faith in God that we have seen in a long time.

It is the book "God's Smuggler", by Bro. Andrew (Spire Books, 75c), the story of a Dutch Baptist who felt the call of God to carry Bibles and other Christian literature behind the Iron Curtain.

The amazing story of how God led him, provided every need at the exact moment when it was needed, opened doors that no human power could open, and led him in witness and encouragement of Christians behind the Communist wall, is one of the

most thrilling things we ever have read. This is not the report of God working in ancient times, but of his activities in the 1950's and 1960's. Indeed the work still goes on.

The person who can read this book and then deny that God is, or that he continues to work directly with men today, simply classifies himself as the "fool" that the Bible calls those who deny God. This book is unanswerable proof that men can "have faith in God" today. It makes many of us ashamed that we do not trust God more.

If you haven't read the book, we hope that you will.

GUEST EDITORIAL

What Is A Baptist?

Jack Grits

in Baptist Messenger (Okla.)

What does it take to make a Baptist? Does accepting Christ as Savior, being immersed and joining a Baptist church make a person a Baptist? Or is more than that required?

At the risk of being misunderstood and of offending some of our readers who have never thought much on the subject before, we wish to state without a moment's hesitation and as emphatically as possible that more is required!

Being a Baptist really means holding certain beliefs and being dedicated to certain great principles. As someone has well said, "When you become a Baptist you don't just join a church, you join a cause."

Baptists hold some beliefs in common with all other Christian people. But only Baptists have the particular principles and in the particular combination by which the people bearing this name have been characterized through the centuries and are characterized today.

Among principles which Baptists hold are the following:

- (1) Each individual is to come directly to God for himself.
- (2) The Bible is the final authority in all matters of faith and practice.
- (3) Salvation is by faith in Christ alone without human merit or works of any kind.
- (4) Baptism is the immersion in water of believers only.
- (5) A church is a local, independent, democratic body of baptized believers.
- (6) There should be religious liberty for all people.
- (7) There should be complete separation of church and state at all times.

Some others may hold one or more of these principles, but only Baptists hold and emphasize all of them. In addition to being saved, immersed and joining a Baptist Church, believing in these historic Baptist principles and being dedicated to them make a person a Baptist.

For these principles our spiritual forefathers sacrificed and died. Ours is a noble heritage from the past. May God help us to be as true in our time to these principles as those who have gone before us were in theirs!

Isaiah did not call it "situational ethics," he called it sin. — Richard C. Halverson, Relevance.

Let us dare to obey Christ, even if the whole world is against us. — Richard C. Halverson, Relevance.

Much of the World Wishes for Our Sunrise



THE BAPTIST FORUM

Ex-Mississippian Writes From Missouri

Dear Dr. Odle,

Please let me express my appreciation for your editorial "Southern Baptists Do Not Need To Divide." This is by far the most perceptive insight into current Southern Baptist life that I have read. Thank God for your firm stand on basic Bible principles.

May I also express my gratitude for the concern shown by you and so many of my Mississippi friends for my recuperation after several very serious heart attacks. On March 23, after twenty - seven months, it was my privilege to bring a brief devotional message at the regular Missouri Baptist Hospital Chapel Service. It will still be sometime before the doctors will allow me to do any supply preaching, but I am so happy for the progress thus far.

Since the article appeared in The Baptist Record about the "Christian Development Program" by Claude Townsend, Mrs. Landrum and I have secured the recordings and they have meant so much to our spiritual lives. I heartily recommend this Program.

Perhaps you will be interested in another small undertaking: for several months it has been my privilege to do some volunteer work here at home by recording "Talking Tapes for the Blind." Although this has had to be done in very short periods, it has given me an added sense of purpose despite my physical disability. One doesn't realize how much he can miss doing something for others until that capacity has been removed.

It is my sincere hope that my progress will be such that before too many months I might be given the doctors' approval for a visit to my beloved home state. In the meantime we shall be here in St. Louis County praying for Mississippi Baptists in their noble work for our Lord.

J. W. Landrum
3 Summersweet Lane
Ballwin, Mo. 63011

Southern Baptists Stick To Middle Of Road

I have just read your editorial "Southern Baptists Do Not Need To Divide." It is excellent and I think you have hit the nail squarely on the head.

It has been my experience through the years to find Southern Baptists are a middle of the road people. They never go after extremes in either direction. There is a very small percentage on either side to the right and to the left, but I would say that 90% and perhaps more of our people are still right down the middle of the road. And I believe that we will stay there unless forces are brought to bear which will change the entire nature of the Southern Baptist Convention.

There were those in 1961 who were saying that we were going to divide over theology, but we learned in 1963 that Southern Baptists are still a middle of the road people. This was made clear when the Convention, with very little opposition, adopted the report of the Committee on Faith and Message without even changing a comma in the report.

I just wanted to express my appreciation for your editorial, and my full agreement with it for whatever that might mean.

Sincerely yours,
H. H. Hobbs
Oklahoma City, Okla.

Freed Missionaries Write Appreciation

We would like to thank all of our many friends everywhere personally for your deep concern and your con-

tinued interest in our health and physical well-being, our security in the midst of danger and our comfort in prison and at home. We know that many attempts were made to help us get medicine, food and other things. Whether or not these efforts were successful we are indeed grateful for the love and regard which prompted them. We are sure that the Lord heard and answered your prayers. Even in the most trying times we had that which was really essential.

We tried to follow the teachings of the Bible and find contentment in the midst of adverse circumstances. We were confident that the Lord would supply our needs according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. He sustained and guided us in the midst of our tribulations and weaknesses.

We have prayed earnestly that the word of the Lord have free course and be glorified in Cuba. We have prayed constantly and will continue to pray for our fellow workers in Cuba that the Lord may give them the strength and wisdom that they need in times of stress. We pray that their physical and material needs may be met. We know that you will continue to pray with us that those who are still in prison may soon be released and that those who are free to work in the churches may be kept from harm and danger.

We give thanks for our many friends. Through you we have been strengthened and blessed. We want you to know that we have been appreciative of your love, prayers and interest.

Marjorie and Herbert Caudill
Margaret and David Fite

Circulates Petition Commending Bible Reading by Astronauts

Dear Editor:

Mrs. Madalyn Murray O'Hair has been circulating petitions in an attempt to influence public officials to ban Bible reading and prayer from the Space Program.

A group of concerned citizens object to her efforts. To date we have over 250,000 signatures from those who support the rights of all Americans to read scripture and give personal testimony when and where they please, as did the Crew of Apollo 8.

The petition reads:

To: NASA and our Astronauts
We and millions of other Americans want to thank you Astronauts Borman, Lovell, and Anders for the inspiring message from God's Word in Genesis during your historic voyage.

We solicit the help of groups or individuals who are willing to collect signatures to impress our American government that large numbers of Americans want their religious freedom to include the right to read and refer to God's Word in the Space Program.

If you would be willing to cooperate in this project, please contact us soon. We hope to collect more than a million signatures by June 1, 1969.

Sincerely,
Steve J. Gabrielse
Christian Action Group
17945 Rose Street
Lansing, Illinois 60438

Glorieta Leaders

NASHVILLE — Program personalities for the first joint Sunday School Training Union Leadership Conference, to be held at Glorieta (N. M.), Baptist Assembly, June 19-23, are: Roland Jarrard (left), pastor, Ruhama Baptist Church, Birmingham, who will serve as preacher; and Harold A. Souther, associational music-education director, Kansas City (Mo.) Baptist Association, as music director. — BSSB Photo.



Quiet Talks ON RELIGION IN LIFE

CHESTER E. SWOR

Has It Made Any Difference?

Now that the Easter season has come and gone — a season in which you have heard again through music and message the humiliation of Christ's trial, the exorcution of his crucifixion, and the glory of his resurrection, has the quality of your Christianity improved through resolution and commitment?

I heard a splendid man tell of his trip to the Orient: the unbelievable hunger of multitudes, the throngs of people who sleep nightly on piers because they have no houses, the eagerness of little children to fight for crumbs or coins. Upon his return to his home church, he showed many slides which touched the hearts of viewers. One slide pictured a little girl whom he had seen at midnight with her hungry lips pressed to the glass of a bakery show-window, just inside which was a delicious cake on display. Though the glass separated her, hungry lips from the cake, she stood there immobile, longing for a morsel of the pastry. Tears came to all eyes, as that slide was explained.

As the man drove home from church after showing his well - fed, well - dressed, and well - housed friends the slides, his wife asked, "Dear, when you saw that hungry little girl with her lips pressed against the window, what did you do?" In shame the man replied: "Oh, my dear, I'm sorry you asked that question; I was so busy with my picture-taking, I didn't do anything for her."

After The First Easter

When the full impact of their Master's death and resurrection dawned upon the hearts of his followers, their lives were never the same again.

Where there had been fear, there was now courage. Where there had been cowardice, there was now heroism. Where there had been "hidden lights of witness," there were now flaming witnesses of boldness and fervor. Where there had been reluctance to bear and claim his name, there was now an heroic joy in being called Christians!

For You And Me

If the full impact of Christ's crucifixion, death, and resurrection has dawned upon us, there will be differences in our lives, too:

1. We shall be different in our attitudes toward sin; for we shall remember that we are not our own: we have been bought by the price of Christ's death for our sins. We do not have the right to live further in sin.

2. We shall live with more of courage daily; for, remembering the courage with which Christ died for us, we shall want to match that heroic courage.

3. We shall share more faithfully the news of salvation; for, in his parting words before ascending to his Father, he charged us to witness to the ends of the earth.

If Easter has spoken its full message to you and me, we shall voice the commitment of a great hymn: "Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all."

(Published by special arrangement with Dr. Swor)

P.S. From Dr. Swor: Thank you so much for your letters of appreciation of the column. Feel free to write to me at any time: 802 Whitworth St., Jackson, Mississippi.

NEWEST BOOKS

THE CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING by R. Dale Merrill (Judson Press, 126 pp., paperback, \$1.95)

A clear, concise, and readable guide to parliamentary procedure in the church.

THE JOURNEY THAT MEN MAKE by James Armstrong (Abingdon, 158 pp., \$3.50)

This book explores the "where to" and the "what for" of life. Dr. Armstrong says, "You are a person with all of the agonizing conflicts of emerging selfhood. Life has been entrusted to your care. With your frightening freedom, your painfully human limi-

tations, and your near - divine potential, what will you do with this rarest of all gifts — life?"

DRY BONES CAN LIVE AGAIN by Robert E. Coleman (Revell, paperback, 128 pp., \$1.25)

A study manual on revival in the local church. Discusses what revival really is, and how individual Christians may bring it to their own churches. Arranged for group study and discussion, as well as for personal use.

BIBLICAL NUMEROLOGY by John J. Davis (Baker, paperback, \$2.95, 174 pp.)

The author collects, analyzes, and classifies the pertinent data relevant to numbers and their use in the Bible. Second, he defines the nature and use of numbers in Scripture. Finally, he seeks to establish valid and consistent principles for use in the interpretation of Biblical numbers.

Calendar Of Prayer

(This list is not compiled according to birthdays.)

April 14 — Mrs. Victor Vaughn, staff Clarke College; Bill Stroup, Jones County Junior College BSU director.

April 15 — Dorothy Crow, faculty, Gilfoyl School of Nursing; Sarah A. Rouse, faculty, Mississippi College.

April 16 — Mrs. Vernon May, state WMU president; Paul Nunery, superintendent, Children's Village.

April 17 — J. C. Mitchell, Pontotoc County supt. of missions; W. C. Gann, Prentiss - Tishomingo supt. of missions.

April 18 — Mrs. Nell Vaughn, Bill Sellers, Evelyn George, Mrs. Jean Gullette, Baptist Building employees.

April 19 — Mrs. D. C. Martin, staff, Carey College; Mrs. Dick Guyton, staff, Blue Mountain College.

April 20 — Mrs. O. M. Jones, Baptist Book Store; Paul Pryor, administrator, Baptist Hospital.

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Church Moves To Building Near U. N.

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NEW YORK (BP) — The Manhattan Baptist Church worshipped for the first time recently at a new location across the street from the United Nations.

At the first service, the congregation heard Interim Pastor Denton Lotz call for Christians as individuals, the church, and citizens in general to bring the peace of Christ to people at home and abroad.

Temporarily, the church is meeting for services in the modern chapel of the Church Center for the U. N.

The building is owned by the United Methodist Church and houses offices of several denominations and Christian groups which endeavor to keep abreast of international developments.

The Church Center for the U. N. is a temporary meeting place for the congregation which started the first

Southern Baptist work in New York 11 years ago.

A church committee is searching for available sites for a permanent location in midtown Manhattan.

When the rental lease at the old location on 57th Street expired at the end of February, the property owner doubled the rent — a trend throughout New York City in recent times.

At the new location across from

the United Nations, the church will have an office, and a Sunday School in addition to its worship service.

Regular Sunday worship in the new location at 44th Street and First Avenue is scheduled for 1:30 p.m.

Another group uses the chapel earlier.

At the present time, the church, which is without a pastor, plans to carry out many of its ministries in the apartments of its members.

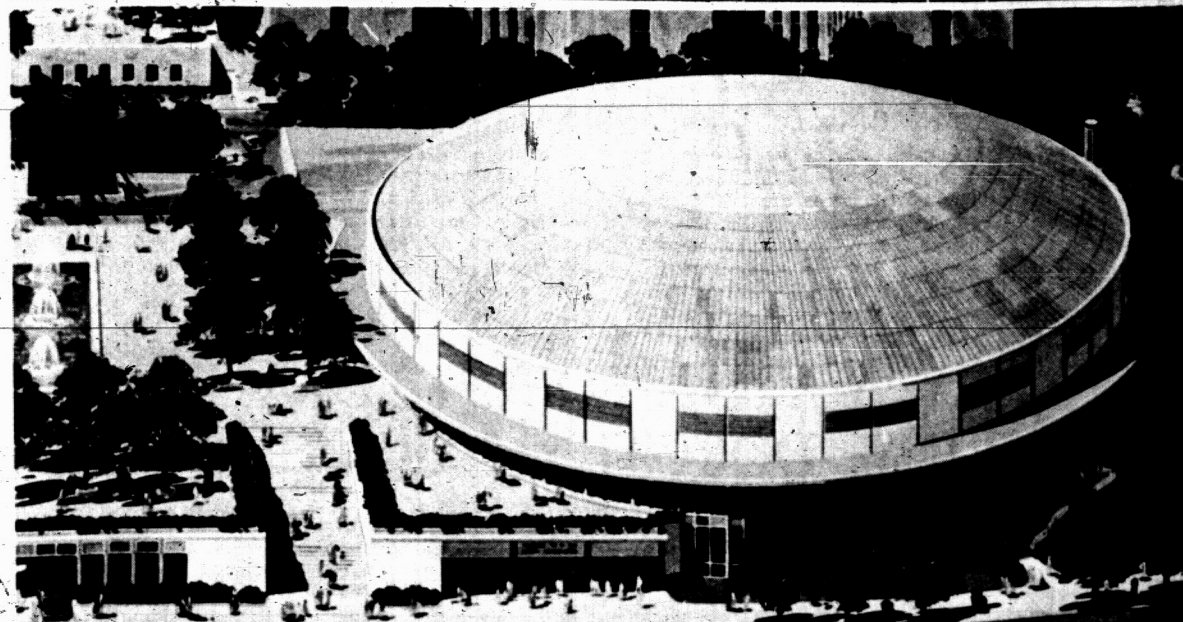
New ministries being established include: house churches, ministry to internationals, a book store ministry, prayer and Bible study groups, and music and drama groups.

The first worship service at the new location had a decidedly international flavor. Mrs. Ade Olatunji, a church member from Nigeria, read the Scripture.

In the congregation were members and visitors from Japan, Malaysia, Hong Kong, Rhodesia, Colombia, and two new members from Trinidad.

The service was interpreted for the deaf by Dick Nowell, a graduate student at New York University who is studying religious education for the deaf.

Greetings were brought from Carl Soule, director of the Church Center for the U. N., who said he was happy to have a Southern Baptist congregation as a part of the total Christian community in the building.



Men's Congress On Evangelism July 3-5

THE GENERAL SESSIONS of the Baptist Men's Congress on Evangelism and Lay Involvement will be held in the Municipal Auditorium, Nashville, Tennessee, (shown above) on July 3-5, 1968. The auditorium is located downtown and within walking distance of the

downtown hotels and motels. Arrangements are being made to accommodate three thousand five hundred laymen, pastors and wives for the meeting. The Congress is an activity of the Crusade of the Americas.

Final Washington-Oregon Reports

Port Townsend, Washington
Howard Brister, Centreville

The San Juan Baptist Mission is located in Port Townsend, Washington, a beautiful little town of 5,000 population. The pastor of the church is Rev. Lance Cubley. He is a very dedicated man who attended Seminary at Southwestern at Fort Worth. The pastor has to work at a secular job as the church is able only to pay his house rent.

The work there is very small with about 20 in Sunday School every Sunday. There seemed to have been a real revival within the church. There were several rededications, but there were no professions of faith. I was impressed with dedication of the members who were faithful. The work there is hard, and we need constantly to support them with our prayers.

Corvallis, Oregon
Wendell Gilmore, Jackson

I found the people at Grant Street Baptist Church to be very warm and congenial. This is one of the strong churches of Oregon Baptists. It is located near Oregon State University and also near Adair Air Base. It has splendid leadership.

It was evident that much preparation had been made for the Crusade before I arrived. Even though the church is without a pastor, I found that the people had moved along well with their promotions. Over 1,000 Revival announcements had been distributed, 40 thirty-second spots were purchased on KLOO Radio Station, and a Revival announcement appeared several times as a paid ad in two local newspapers.

In the morning a coffee was held at the home of a member where a soul-winning study was taught by the evangelist. Men from Highland Baptist Church purchased 50 New Testaments for use in the Crusade. A New Testament was given to each person who attended and the evangelist taught those present how to mark the scriptural plan of salvation.

The Afternoons were spent in visitation of prospects. Each day a different layman volunteered his time to visit with the evangelist. In almost every situation a warm and friendly atmosphere prevailed. One of the things that made it difficult to reach more people in this short period of time was the lack of background which the people had for religion, the church and particularly Southern Baptist Churches. One person suggested the idea that she thought Southern Baptist Churches were for Baptists who had moved to the northwest from the south. Many persons who were dealt with expressed little depth in their spiritual lives, however they were very willing to discuss church.

The Cooperative Program is rigid, yet flexible; liquid, yet solid; mechanical, yet spiritual; intricate, yet simple; well-rounded, yet pyramidal; Southern, yet global; perennial, yet annual; mature, yet growing; liberal, yet orthodox; denominational, yet personal. It is calculated and appropriated, yet consists of Faith, Hope, and Love — and the greatest of these is LOVE.

God, the Lord Jesus Christ. These people expressed a deep hunger and longing for a vital relationship with Christ and the church.

Services were held nightly at 7:00 with good average attendance. When the reports were totaled up it was found that 6 persons had made professions of faith; 2 had come by transfer of letter; a young man 21 years of age stationed at Adair Air Force Base had surrendered to preach and 2 other high school age young people had given their lives to full-time Christian service, and 19 persons had rededicated their lives, for a total of 30 public decisions.

I sense a great need for those who are Southern Baptist to be deepened in their own beliefs and doctrines. In fact several expressed their desire to be taught these basic truths. Their willingness to serve the Lord and to grow spiritually was overwhelming. The question was often asked as to why do not more preachers come to the Northwest to tell the lost about Christ.

Seattle, Washington
Kermit McGregor, Winona

I served as the evangelist in two churches — High Point and Emmanuel in Seattle. The High Point Baptist Church is the only Southern Baptist Church in West Seattle, an area of 85,000 people of which 65,000 are not identified with any church. The pastor, Rev. Dennis R. Lucas, a graduate of Southwestern Seminary, receives \$75.00 a month as salary and works as an engineer for the giant Boeing Aircraft Company to provide for his family.

The High Point congregation meets in the High Point Community Center each Sunday. Members have to arrive early and stay late to arrange chairs, teaching materials, etc. Although the use of the building does not cost the church anything they are responsible for damages. An example of a prob-

lem faced is that the church gets blamed on Sunday "for windows broken at a dance (sponsored by the center) on Saturday evening." The community center is located in the midst of a low income government housing project of 6,000 inhabitants in approximately 1,200 apartments. The High Point Church has purchased a 2.6 acre future building site just outside the housing project with a fantastic view of the Cascade Mountains. They "are surrounded by a sea of lost people." The land cost the congregation \$13,500 and it cost \$1,500 to get it cleared. It will cost an additional \$2,700 for a building permit and the "right to hook on to the sewer."

A loan for \$45,000 has been approved by the Home Mission Board for their new building. The High Point Church receives monetary support from the Beechmont Baptist Church of Louisville, Kentucky. The congregation had hoped to be in their new building for the Crusade but were unsuccessful. They have experienced many difficulties. Vandals abused the "bulldozer" used to clear the property and pulled up stakes (some were long iron rods driven deep into the earth) after the property was surveyed.

The second week was spent in the Emmanuel Baptist Church of the Bow Lake area, where Rev. Vernon Holliday, a native of Arkansas, is pastor. The church was organized in 1961 under the guidance of the First Baptist Church of Beverly Park. They have had 5 pastors. The present beautiful church building was erected by the Greenwood Baptist Church of Greenwood, Louisiana, in 1965. The resident membership is now 140 with a Sunday School enrollment of 160. Training Union enrollment is 70 with an average attendance of 40.

Southern Baptist work is slow and difficult but rewarding in the Pacific Northwest. Many saints of God truly

are sacrificing. The area needs personnel and money. The pastor of the Emmanuel Church, for instance, has spent his life savings in addition to the salary paid by his church, in about a year and a half.

One of the highlights of the trip was a visit to Rev. Ray Harris's office. There I saw a map of 66 sections of the Seattle area pinpointed "top priority" for mission stations and churches. Eight of these have been approved by the Home Mission Board for Project 500. I drove through one of these areas, the fashionable Normandy Park area along Puget Sound. There I saw an area of approximately 20,000 people without a Baptist witness.

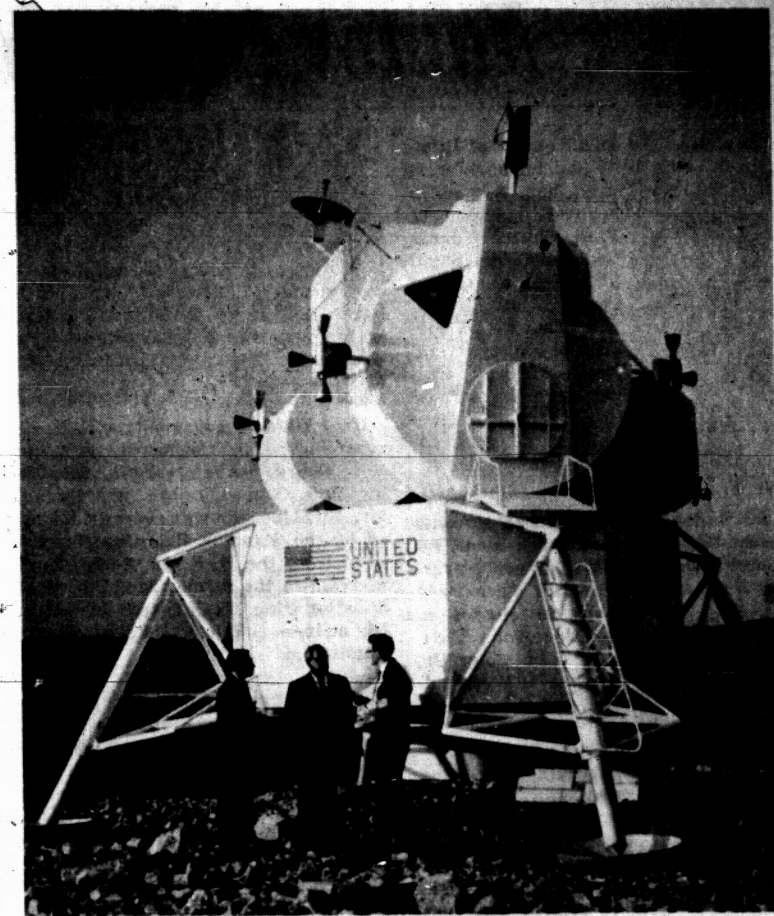
I sincerely believe that the distinctive witness of Southern Baptists is the adherence to the Bible as God's Holy Word. Surely Southern Baptists in the Pacific Northwest are preaching "Christ, the Only Hope." I shall never be the same after seeing the needs and opportunities. I am proud of Southern Baptists. The trip also helped confirm my belief that "Southern" stands for a theological position rather than a geographical position.

Tacoma, Washington
G. A. McCoy, Bruce

It was my privilege to work with the Highland Hill Baptist Church of Tacoma, Washington. Rev. Fred Martin has been the pastor there for a little over three years. This church is located atop a beautiful hill in a populous area of Tacoma. The Puget Sound and the snow-capped Olympic Range of mountains can be seen to the West. Mt. Rainier can be seen to the East. This mountain is snow-capped the year round.

But here in the midst of God's beauty we were reminded that 70% of the people are without any religious affiliation. Our churches are small and struggling against great odds. So many of the pastors, like Bro. Fred Martin, have to work as carpenters or at other types of labor to support themselves. The growth of the church is much slower than when a pastor can be supported full time on the field. Highland Hill is 15 years old but still only has 150 members. In contrast to this our "Project 500" missions are experiencing more rapid growth. The same kind of growth is being experienced in churches that can pay their

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Master Control Plans 10th Anniversary Special

A radio production team (Ed Malone, left, and Jim Rupe, right), interview NASA public relations official Hal Hunt at the foot of the Apollo lunar landing vehicle in a 30-minute special produced at the Manned Space Flight Center, Houston, Texas, for "MasterControl". "MasterControl", in its April 13 broadcast, will present a nostalgic "Tenth Anniversary Special" commemorating the unique religious radio program's first decade on the air. Tennessee Ernie Ford will be back for an interview, and Commentator Paul Harvey will say a word of congratulation and read again the essay "What Are Fathers Made Of?", the single most often requested item ever presented on the program. Officials of the Radio and Television Commission, producer of the show, called attention to the fact that "MasterControl", which began in April 1959 with only five stations in four states, is now on 520 stations in all 50 states and 20 foreign countries, plus 300 stations of the Armed Forces Radio Network.

Youth Crusade Breaks Out Of Church, Dehoney Says

LOUISVILLE (BP) — A two-week evangelistic effort among Louisville youth broke out of traditional forms of evangelism in the local church and has "shaken the city," the North American Regional coordinator for the Crusade of the Americas said here.

Wayne Dehoney, pastor of the Walnut Street Baptist Church, said that the crusade, led by Evangelist Arthur Blessitt of Hollywood, Calif., started at the Walnut Street Church, but moved to the downtown Memorial Auditorium after 2,500 youth packed the church for two nights and hundreds had to be turned away.

Dehoney told of dramatic conversions of young people and adults, saying the two week crusade resulted in more than 700 decisions for Christ, including about 375 conversions.

Chartered buses took youth from the church and suburban areas to the downtown auditorium hours before evangelistic services were held, and the youth roamed the streets two-by-two witnessing to people on the streets and inviting them to the services, Dehoney said.

He cited one example of two 14-year-old girls going into a bar and witnessing to an adult, getting him to attend the services, and leading him to a personal commitment to Christ.

Dehoney added that the crusade broke out of the church, into the downtown auditorium then into shopping centers, and into the public schools.

Blessitt, an evangelist among the hippies of Los Angeles and Hollywood, spoke at 21 different high schools and junior high schools during the two weeks, telling of his work among drug addicts and hippies. Dehoney said that Blessitt spoke to 50,000 students and received standing ovations almost everywhere he went.

Two mass meetings called "Youth Blasts" were held at high school gymnasiums, with packed crowds both nights, Dehoney said. A major disc jockey at a "Top 40" radio station presided at the "Blasts," and the leading combo in Louisville played. Blessitt delivered hard-hitting evangelistic messages, Dehoney said.

At shopping centers, young people would witness to the crowds of shoppers and invited them to an area of the parking lot where Blessitt would speak from a flat-bed truck, after a combo had played, Dehoney said.

Blessitt, who wore mod clothes and a medallion symbolizing peace and the cross, repeatedly asked the youth to "turn on to Jesus," and to "take the ultimate, eternal trip through Jesus Christ."

Blessitt also told of his work on Sunset Strip with hippies and drug addicts, and of the nightclub he operates called "His Place", where he preaches nightly at about midnight to as many as 1,500 youth.

Dehoney said that the youth revival, a part of the Crusade of the Americas which is involving Baptists in North, Central and Southern America this spring, had prompted high praise from the Louisville chief of police and other city officials.

Just Whom Does This Man Think He Is Kidding?

By Rev. John Hodras
Adapted From "Solla"



Ground Broken For Ruschlikon Apartments

HARRY MAANSUS, VASA, FINLAND, student body president at the Baptist seminary in Ruschlikon, Switzerland, breaks ground for the seminary's new apartment building. When completed early next year, the building will accommodate 10 to 12 married students and their families, meeting what seminary president John D. W. Watts considers an urgent housing need. It is the first seminary building that will not be located on the main campus; it is going up on Baptist-owned land 1/4 kilometer from the campus. Funds were provided by the Foreign Mission Board, SBC. — (EBPS Photo)

When a man says he can't keep awake through a fifteen minute sermon and stays home, with his 700 column newspaper, whom is he kidding? When a man says Sunday is his day of rest, and gets up at 4:30 a. m. to go pheasant hunting or drives 200 miles to visit uncle Joe, whom is he kidding?

When a man says the church seats are too hard and the building is either too hot or too cold, and goes the next Sunday or Saturday to sit on a bleacher seat for a couple of hours in a cold drizzle watching 22 men push and tackle one another back and forth across a mud lot, whom is he kidding?

When a man says church is boring, but gets up in time to be at work by 7:00 a. m. and works eight to ten hours a day standing in front of a punch press or behind a counter or desk, or driving nails, whom is he kidding? When a man says he doesn't have time to go to church, but works only eight hours a day, then goes shopping on Monday, bowling on Tuesday, watches the fights on Wednesday, goes to the lodge on Thursday, plays bridge with the neighbors on Friday, and takes his

wife to the movies or square dancing on Saturday, whom is he kidding?

He Is Not Kidding His Fellow Churchmembers

At times they too, may get busy, sleepy, tired or bored. Often it involves a lot of planning and self-discipline and sacrifice of time, money, pleasure and rest, but they make it to church every week. They face all of the deterring influences he faces; they have all of the alibis he has; but they're still in church every Sunday morning. And they know he's not there. No, he's not kidding them at all.

He's not kidding his pastor either. Every pastor has in his files, or in the files of his memory, a veritable Smithsonian Institute of antiquated alibis. . . . Most of them can be traced, as far back as the Garden of Eden. It is difficult for him to maintain the proper expression (since laughing uproariously at such a solemn moment would be most rude; when these venerable relics of primitive pagan procrastination are excavated from the dark and dismal dungeons of the mind and presented to view as if they had just come off the assembly line. No, he's not kidding his pastor. He's kidding himself!

Under the guise of a presumed ra-

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tionality, our absent church-member has persuaded himself, but no one else, that his self-justification is quite as reasonable as the Gospel. He lives in a make-believe world during these moments, satisfied that he is quite as righteous as if he had done what he ought. He is a self-convinced man of his own spiritual vigor, but in reality a succumbing victim of spiritual malnutrition and of that spiritual indifference. There is nothing a doctor in heaven or on earth can do to help him. We can only hope and pray that he, and others like him, stop kidding themselves before the trumpet sounds and it is too late!

Names In The News

Rev. John Ed Snell, pastor of Utica Church since 1967, and formerly pastor of Sturgis Church, has resigned to become pastor of First Church, Jena, Louisiana. Mr. Snell, a native of Clay County, Mississippi, is a graduate of Mississippi College and New Orleans Seminary. He is married to the former Shirley Smith of Bastrop, Louisiana; they have two children, Jeffrey, 8, and Sharon, 4.

Mississippi College science students heard first hand last week about research done on a well-known polyester fibre as Dr. Emmett Farr Izard spoke to classes in the Hederman Science Building. Dr. Izard, a 1924 graduate of the college and recognized as one of the top researchers in the country, spoke to several of the science classes on research done by him while with the DuPont Company's Research Laboratory in Buffalo, N. Y. One product that has come from Dr. Izard's research is known to everyone — "Dacron" polyester fibre. "Mylar" polyester film and "Cronar" polyester photographic film base also came from his pioneering work in the development of polyethylene terephthalate with the DuPont Company.

Rev. Bobby Long, formerly of Bruce, now a student at Clarke College, has accepted the pastorate of Shiloh Church, Chickasaw Association. He is married to the former Carolyn Tedford. They have three children, Debbie, 12, Mark, 4, and Trent, 2. Their home church was Mount Moriah, Calhoun County. His maternal grandfather was Rev. Floyd Brazier, pastor at Mount Moriah for over fifty years.

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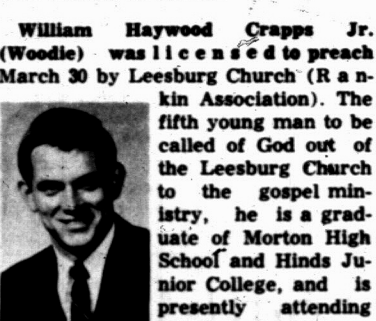
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Charlie Holcomb, David Butler, and Charles Golding were recently ordained as deacons at Furr's Church, Pontotoc County. John Bowen, deacon from First Church, Pontotoc, spoke on the ministry of the deacon, and Rev. Harold Anderson, superintendent of missions, Lee County, preached the ordination sermon. Rev. W. G. Dowdy is pastor.

Rev. William G. (Bill) Dowdy has resigned the pastorate of Furr's Church, Pontotoc County, to accept the pastorate of Gaston Church in Prentiss Association near Booneville. He began his new duties March 30. Mr. Dowdy was pastor at Furr's for three years and three months, during which time the church made substantial gains. Progress was made in all areas, such as additions, finances, new, and improvement in existing facilities, and deepening of spiritual lives of the membership. Rev. and Mrs. Dowdy have four children, Billy, Darlene, Pam, and Tim.

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First, Brookhaven, Buys New Bus

PICTURED IS THE BUS FIRST CHURCH, Brookhaven, has purchased to be used for church-sponsored activities including trips by the educational organizations, choir trips, mission activities, and social events. Dr. Bob N. Ramsay, pastor, says of this most recent addition to the church facilities, "Now the challenge is before us to utilize the services of the bus in meeting the needs of all our people. This will add new dimensions to our program, which should always be Christ-centered in seeing to win the lost and edifying the redeemed." With the bus above are Wayne Wilson, education director; Harry Thompson, minister of music; Ramsay, pastor; and Millard E. Smith, chairman of the Bus Committee.



"Ministers Of The Americas" Banquet

WILLIAM CAREY COLLEGE Ministerial Association members held their annual banquet on Monday night, March 30. Carrying out the theme of the Crusade of the Americas, the particular emphasis for the affair was "Ministers of the Americas." Dr. Bob Marsh, pastor of First Church, Laurel, was guest speaker. Shown with Dr. Marsh, second from left, are: Alan Woodward, senior student president of the 1969 Ministerial Association; Dr. Don Stewart and Dr. William Clawson, sponsors for the organization and members of the Religion and Philosophy Department at Carey College.



GIFFED PRESENTED — After serving nine years as superintendent of missions for Winston County Association, Rev. W. B. Boatner is giving up this work to accept the pastorate of Mars Hill Church. At First, Louisville Church recently, Rev. and Mrs. Boatner were presented a cash gift of \$312 as an expression of appreciation for their services. Rev. W. C. Smith (left) made the presentation on behalf of all the churches of the association. — Photo by Joe T. Cook.

Winston Superintendent Of Missions Accepts Call To Mars Hill Pastorate

Rev. W. B. Boatner has accepted a call to the pastorate of Mars Hill Church, and has resigned from his work as superintendent of missions with the Winston County Association.

For the past three years the association, under Mr. Boatner's leadership, has worked with the Mars Hill congregation as a mission church.

In appreciation of the work of Mr. Boatner, during his more than nine years as superintendent of missions, all the churches of the Association met together at Louisville, First Church, in recognition of his service. A cash gift from the churches was presented to the Boatners by Rev. W. C. Smith.

Rev. and Mrs. Boatner will live in Louisville, in the home they purchased at 116 Ackerman Road.

"I feel that the Lord has called me to serve the Mars Hill church," Boatner said, "and I am glad to go, as I

served caused her life to be truly Christian.

The miracle of restoring her life was indeed an "application of the same power that had raised up Jesus." The result was that many were converted to faith in him. This was the first miracle of this kind by the apostles. Many others died but Dorcas lived again.

It is the person who truly decides to do something about this world's needs that ministers in Jesus' name. There are a lot of people who talk, preach, discuss needs, but very few who decide. The early church did not have a choice, but thought that this was a part of the work that Jesus had called them to do.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

THE INTERNATIONAL LESSON The Bible -- Written Revelation

By Clifton J. Allen

Hebrews 1:1-4; 1 John 1:1-4;
John 20:30-31

The Bible is the Book of all books. It is the Book of the Christian faith. Now we are to engage in a three-month study about the Bible. This is a different kind of unit from what we regularly have in Sunday School lessons. Its purpose is to help people to have a better understanding of what the Bible is, of how the Bible came to us, of how to study the Bible, and of the significance of the Bible for Christian faith and practice.



The Lesson Explained

God Has Spoken
Heb. 1:1

We have the Bible because God has spoken to men. God revealed himself; he took the initiative in making himself known to man. The writer of Hebrews declares that God spoke at various times, in many ways, through many persons. He spoke through the prophets to the people of Israel. The Old Testament is the written record of his self-disclosure. Again and again, the Old Testament declares that God has spoken. "God called unto Adam"; "God said unto Noah"; "God said unto Abraham"; "The Lord spake unto Moses"; "The Lord answered Job"; "The Lord spake thus to me" (Isaiah); "The word of the Lord came unto Jeremiah"; and God spoke to many, many others. All this applies to the Old Testament. The same applies to the New Testament. God made himself known, not necessarily by an audible voice, but in ways chosen by him and appropriate for his purpose: by mighty acts of mercy and judgment.

God Came in Christ
Heb. 1:2-4

God had much more to say than that spoken to the prophets of old. At the right time, he spoke "unto us by his Son." The incarnation of Christ was the perfect and full revelation of God. The Word became flesh was God's word in totality and finality. Through Christ we know what God is like. We know how Christ is related to God, as his very Son; how he is related to the universe, as its maker and sustainer; how he is related to sinful man, the one who made purification for our sins through his saving work; and how he is exalted to sovereignty and glory as High Priest and King forever. The revelation of God in Christ is superior to the revelation through the prophets.

Men Wrote The Story
1 John 1:1-4; John 20:30-31

These passages both illustrate and

declare the truth that we have in the Scriptures the written record of revelation. We may be certain that from the beginning of time, what God said to men was preserved in oral traditions handed down from generation to generation. Long, long years later—we do not know how many—God moved men to write their understanding of what God said and did. From many sources, through many persons, over a period of hundreds of years the Old Testament Scriptures came into being. These Scriptures told of God's creation of the universe and of the human race, of man's fall, of God's dealings with sinful man, of his calling Abraham and establishing a covenant nation, and of how he dealt with the people of Israel until in the fullness of time he came in Jesus Christ to save his people from their sins. The Old Testament is thus a written record of the history of Israel. But it is much more: it tells of God's power and righteousness and love and of his purpose to redeem a people for his own possession, zealous for good works.

The writer of 1 John declared that he wrote about "the Word of life," that is, about Christ; and he declared that he heard and saw and touched the living Word. There are twelve words in these brief verses affirming the reality of what is to be written about Christ. The New Testament is not based on myth but fact about Jesus Christ. The writer of the Gospel of John likewise emphasized the fact that he wrote about the signs Jesus did—actually only a few of the many—with the objective that people would believe in Christ as the Son of God and thus enter into newness of life through good news about eternal life.

Truths to Live By
We need the written Word. — God, with infinite wisdom, knew man's need for an authoritative record of his will and way for mankind. He therefore provided for us the Holy Scriptures. The revelation we have in the Bible drew upon oral tradition and many and varied written records and was directed by God's Spirit. We believe the Bible to be the inspired revelation from God.

The Bible is the Book of life. — Its aim is to interpret the living God to men.

Acts 9:23-25; 36-39

By Bill Duncan

The early days of organized Christianity were in a very successful era of witnessing. The first few chapters of Acts relate to us how new converts had needs, because they lost their jobs, families, and friends. The Jewish widows who had been receiving food were cut off from their supply when they became Christians.



As the needs arose the Christian came forth to meet them. Acts 2:44-45 "And all that believed were together, and had all things common and sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need."

Peter and John ministered to the physical needs of the lame man at the gate called Beautiful when they gave him direction and strength. "In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk." No greater words of the Bible on ministering can be seen than in Acts 4:34, "Neither was there any among them that lacked." Men like Barnabas saw to it that the needs were met, for he "having land sold it and brought the money and laid it at the apostles' feet. The deacons were elected by the church to make certain that the needs of the widows were not neglected.

The laymen took care of those needs while the apostles gave their time to the spiritual matters of prayer, Bible study, and preaching. The meeting of the needs was indeed spiritual and a part of God's will for the lives of the Christians. Hebrews 6:10 says, "For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labor of love, which ye have shewed toward his name in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister."

Involvement the Secret of Ministering
Acts 9:23-25

The group of Christians at Damascus risked their very lives in order to help Paul escape from their city where the Jews wanted to kill him. The involvement of their interest and activities showed that they were willing to do anything to help him. The person who does not want to get in-

involved will never be able to give a wholesome witness. The person who is afraid of what someone will say will never be free.

Today we need people who will become involved in many of our community problems so that a Christian witness can be given. The lives of so many are in jeopardy. You can kill a person in more ways than murder. If we offset this it may mean that the Christian may have to lay down his life on the altar of sacrifice.

In missions, it is the man or woman that is totally committed that gets the most out of it. So it is in ministering, for this is missions too.

The Example of Dorcas

Acts 9:36-39

The early church had many examples for us to follow. Dorcas was the only woman identified as "disciple" with the feminine form. The trait that made her life different was that she spent all her time doing good and helping the poor. This way of life gave a good witness for the church. When she died the friends sent for Peter that he might come and pray that God might give her back to the work of the church. She was restored to life. The disciples thought it significant that they showed Peter many garments which she had made. The desire to follow the example of Jesus who wanted to serve rather than be

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Revival Dates

Zion Church (Pontotoc): Crusade of the Americas; April 6-11; Rev. J. A. McCain, pastor, Harrisville Church, preacher; D. Steve McCollum, minister of education, Calvary Church, West Point, singer; services at 7:30 p.m.; a Friday morning service at 10:00; Rev. Truman D. Scarborough, pastor.

Hebron (Yazoo): April 13-18; Sunday service at 11 a.m., with lunch served at the church, and then another service following lunch at the church; night services only, Monday-Friday; Rev. Carl Talbert, pastor, Pearl Church, Jackson, evangelist; Rev. Charles Davis, song leader; Mrs. Carol McGraw, pianist; Rev. H. B. Campbell, pastor.

Calvary, Meridian: April 13-20; Miss Bertha Smith (pictured), of Cowpens, S. C., retired missionary and author of the Broadman bestseller, *Go Home and Tell*, speaker; Dan Hall, director of state music department, singer; Rev. W. Otis Seal, pastor; services at 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. (Lunch will be served at the church Monday through Friday at 12 noon. Pastor Seal says, "We are expecting many ministers and their wives, and a number of WMU ladies from across the state to come and meet Miss Bertha. All will be invited to stay for lunch any day they come.")



Mathison Church: "Crusade of the Americas"; April 13-18; Rev. Ralph Calcutt, missionary to Japan, now residing in Yazoo City while on furlough, evangelist; Rev. W. Truett Broadus, full-time evangelist from McComb, will lead the singing; services at regular worship hours on Sunday and 10:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Monday through Friday; Rev. James E. Drane, pastor.

New Hope (Lauderdale): April 13-18; Crusade of Americas; Rev. Billy Greene, pastor of Whitesand, Prentiss, evangelist; Mrs. Helen Walker, church music director, song leader; Dr. John E. Barrow, pastor.

Gaston (Prentiss): April 13-20; Crusade of Americas; services 8 p.m.; special youth service Saturday night; Rev. William G. Dowdy, pastor, evangelist.

Red Banks (Marshall): April 13-19; Rev. Arlin Richardson, pastor of Hickory Flat Church, evangelist; services Sunday at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Monday through Friday at 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, night service only; Rev. Homer Worsham, pastor.

Priceville, Tupelo (Lee): April 13-18; each evening at 7:30; Rev. M. L. Swinney, pastor; Dillard Richardson, music director; Mrs. Dillard Richardson, pianist; Mrs. Jane Clingan, organist.

Stargis Church: April 13-18; services the 13th at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; week nights at 7:30; Rev. James J. Smith, pastor of Oakland Church, Corinth, evangelist; Rev. Bryan Sherman, pastor of Center Grove Church, singer; Rev. Bruce Jolly, pastor.

Immanuel Church, Greenwood: Crusade of Americas; April 7-13; services at 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Jimmy Dukes, pastor; Rev. James M. Metts, Indianola, evangelist; Kenneth White, Itta Bena, music director.

Endville (Pontotoc): Crusade of Americas; April 13-18; nights only, 7 p.m.; Rev. Rex Yancey, evangelist; Rev. Larry Hill, pastor.

Mt. Olive (Carroll): April 13-18; Rev. Robert M. Carlisle, pastor, Big Ridge Church, Biloxi, evangelist; George Galey, music director; Rev. Byron E. Stringer, pastor; services at 7:30 p.m.

Valley Hill (Carroll): Crusade of Americas; April 13-19; Rev. Willie K. "Bill" Richardson, pastor, Clarkston

Church, Zion Association, evangelist; Mr. and Mrs. Larry Edwards, in charge of music; Rev. George Jones, pastor.

Central Church, McComb: Crusade of Americas; April 13-20; services 7:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.; Hubert Greer, minister of music, First Church, Collins, singer; Central's pastor, Rev. S. A. Adkins, (pictured), evangelist.



Murphy Creek: Crusade of Americas; April 13-20; services at 7:30 p.m.; Rev. John Watts, evangelist; Joe Dent Robinson, music director; Rev. Robert Jones, pastor.

Thaxton Church (Pontotoc): April 13-18; Rev. Bobby Holland (pictured), evangelist, preaching "repentance, salvation, and commitment"; Billy Little, leading the singing; services at 7 p.m.



New Zion (Choctaw): April 13-20; Crusade of Americas; Rev. Lavon Hatten, associational missionary of Montgomery and Carroll Counties, evangelist; Sunday services 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.; weekday services 7:00 p.m.; Rev. J. E. Hathcock, pastor.

Poplar Springs (Calhoun): weekend youth revival; April 11-13; evangelist is Philip Caples of Derma, and Mississippi State University; music under direction of Buddy Lester, leader, and Terry Hannaford, pianist; (Buddy and Terry are juniors at Vardaman High School.) Rev. Billy T. McDaniel, pastor.

Colonial Hills, Southaven: April 13-20; services at 7:30 p.m.; Crusade of Americas; Rev. J. D. Nazary, pastor; Billy Walker, full-time evangelist, preaching; Andy Roe, song leader.

Ridgeland Church: April 13-18; Crusade of Americas youth-led revival; Gary Googe, Mississippi College, speaker; James Dykes, Meadwell, Mississippi College, music director; services nightly at 7:00; Rev. Lynnton L. Younger, pastor.

Branham Concert At Ridgeland

Martha Branham of Dallas, Texas, will be presented in a concert at Ridgeland Church, Jackson (Dr. Earl Kelly, pastor) on Sunday evening, April 13, at 7:30.

Northcrest Church, 3412 North Hills Street, Meridian: Crusade of Americas revival; April 13-20; services each night at 7:30; Dr. Harry Lee Spencer, pictured, long-time Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Foundation, evangelist; Jimmy Crane, employee of WTOK-TV Station, Meridian, song leader; Mrs. Elaine Brown, pianist; Calvin Permenter, organist; Rev. Leonard Holloway, pastor.



Coldwater Church: Crusade of Americas, youth revival April 11-13; Fellowship of Christian Athletes of Mississippi College will have charge of the services; Rev. Buddy Wagner, Bobby Allen and Danny Boutwell will be the principal speakers; music directors will be Sammy Crawford and Gary Smith. Other members of the team will give testimonies and participate in fellowships; Rev. Anthony Kay, pastor.

Pleasant Ridge Church (Chickasaw): Rev. Malcolm Jones, pastor of Houston's First Church, evangelist; April 13-18; 7:30 each evening; no morning services; Rev. Frank Childress, pastor.

Bethel (Tate): April 17-20; services each evening at 7:30; Rev. Anthony Kay, pastor at Coldwater, evangelist; Rev. Roy Wilson, pastor.

Numerous highway accidents blamed on alcohol. In a report on Alcohol and Highway Safety just submitted to U. S. Congress by the Secretary of Transportation, the first sentence reads, "The use of alcohol by drivers and pedestrians leads to some 25,000 deaths and a total of at least 800,000 crashes in the United States each year."

Called To Ridgeland

John D. Marshall went to Ridgeland Church, Jackson, on April 1, as education director, from First Church, Grenada. He is a graduate of Hannibal-LaGrange Junior College; Mississippi College with a B. A. and Southwestern Seminary with M. R. E. degree. He has served as educational director at Griffith Memorial Church, Jackson, and First Church, Grenada. Mrs. Marshall, the former Ida Yonkers of Clinton, is a legal secretary. Dr. Earl Kelly is Ridgeland pastor.



REVIVAL RESULTS

New Palestine Church, Piquette: Crusade of Americas; March 16-23; Rev. Clyde Gordon preaching; David Whaley, song leader; 39 professions of faith; two by letter; over 200 rededications; "greatest revival the church has experienced in its 125-year history."

East Howard; Biloxi: Rev. O. L. Russell, pastor; three by letter; two by statement; eight professions of faith; 20 rededications.

Southside, Hattiesburg (Lebanon): 12 professions of faith; five additions by letter; nine rededications; one dedication; Dr. Joel D. Ray, evangelist; J. E. Sims, choir director; Miss Mary Hays, pianist; David Duke, organist; Mattie Ann Roberts, leader of junior choir; Rev. Garland McInnis, pastor.

Pleasant Hill, Columbus: weekend youth revival; March 28-30; Rev. Bill Nimmons, assistant pastor and minister of education at First, Starkville, evangelist; Rev. C. A. Hess, pastor; four teenagers making profession of faith; one addition by letter; 25 rededications.

Sandy Church, Hillsboro, Mo.: Crusade of Americas; Rev. W. N. Johnson, pastor of Friendship Church, Rt. 3, Ellisville, Miss., evangelist; Don Ashburn, song leader; Gary Sims, pianist; Rev. Louis A. Marler, pastor; eleven professions of faith; seven additions by letter; 34 rededications.

Petal-Harvey Church, Petal: Rev. O. E. Thompson, pastor; evangelist Gene Williams, revival speaker, from Houston, Texas; 26 decisions made; eight rededications; 1 letter; 13 professions of faith, 4 professions of faith, uniting with other churches; Vernon Boushell, music director; Mrs. Vernon Boushell, vibra-harp; Mrs. W. H. Clearman, organist; Mrs. Carl Smith, pianist.

Calvary Church, Greenville: Rev. Raymond A. Wilson, Pastor; Rev. Mel C. Craft, evangelist; George Fields, director of music; 8 by letter; 20 for baptism; 44 rededications.

First Church, Quitman: March 16-21; Crusade of the Americas; Dr. Bob N. Ramsay, First Church, Brookhaven, evangelist; Evio C. de Oliveira, Eastside Church, Marietta, Georgia, singer; Rev. Jackie C. Hamilton, pastor; 8 professions of faith; 3 by transfer of letter.

Into The Shadows

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Shadows and darkness mean many things to as many people. A popular television program for children is entitled "Dark Shadows" and dwells on the morbid, the horrible, and the mysterious.

The Bible has many references to shadows and several of these speak of death. Perhaps the most well known is found in Psalm 23:4; "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death..." In the book of Job there is a reference to the terrors of the shadow of death (Job 24:17).

There is a brighter picture, however, portrayed through scripture. The Psalmist said, "He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty" (Psalm 91:1). Perfect protection is afforded here for the one who lives in the "secret place" of the Creator through thought and action. How many Christians do you know who sincerely want the protecting care of a loving Father but search for safety everywhere except in the "secret place of the most High"? They seek security in material possessions, in recognition among men, in good deeds, or in a hundred other ways when it is readily available from the proper source.

Those of us who live in the South know what the heat of the sun is like. But heat of the sun is made bearable by the places of shade or shadow to which we can go. The lone tree in the middle of a plowed field has helped many a weary plowman to complete the day. The Psalm writer again reminded us that, "... the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand" (Psalm 121:5b).

Jesus looked longingly and lovingly at Jerusalem and mourned: "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, which killest the prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, as a hen doth gather her brood under her wings, and ye would not" (Luke 13:34). Can you not picture here the perfect protection offered by the shadow of the wings of the mother hen? She will shield her brood! She will fight for them as she warms and protects. Jesus said that he offered this same degree of concern.

Our loving Heavenly Father has made the overtures toward us. We have but to hurry to that shadow of protecting reassurance he so freely offers rather than flounder along seeking our own way.

What do shadows do for you? Will you flee or seek them?

BSU Director Honored On Anniversary



A RECEPTION was held Monday night, March 24, at First Church, Hattiesburg honoring Rev. Louie Farmer, Jr., on his 15th anniversary as Baptist student director at University of Southern Mississippi. Among the 65 or 70 persons present were above, left to right, Rev. Ralph Winders, director, state department of student work; Mr. Farmer; Mrs. John P. Potts; and John P. Potts, minister of youth at First Church, West Monroe, La. Both Mr. and Mrs. Potts were BSU officers at USM during Mr. Farmer's tenure. They probably drove farther to attend the reception than anyone else present.



FORMER BSU'ERS at USM who attended the reception for Mr. Farmer are pictured: Left to right: Dr. Robert King, professor of mathematics at USM; Dr. Don Stewart, head of the Department of Religion at William Carey (BSU president at USM in 1954); Mrs. Betty Beaton King; Mrs. Marion Busby Poirier; Mrs. Wyldene Rushing Bradley; Mrs. Iris Michael Chatham; Mr. Farmer; John P. Potts; Mrs. Reva Farmer Daniel (Louie Farmer's daughter); Mrs. Maude Anderson Smith (BSU faculty advisor in 1954); and Jerry Terrell. (Brother Louie's son-in-law, Gerald Daniel, was taking these photographs, and so was not in the picture. Mr. Daniel teaches science at Pearl River Junior College, at Poplarville, and his wife, Reva, teaches English there. Both were BSU officers during their student days at USM).



LOUIE FARMER, left, "tries his new suit for size," while Dr. Brooks West, pastor of First Church, Hattiesburg, looks on in amusement. In addition to the new suit, other gifts presented to Mr. Farmer at the reception included a money tree, a clock, and an engraved silver

REV. V. C. WINDHAM, pastor of 38th Avenue Church, Hattiesburg, at right, is presenting to Mr. Farmer a package which contains silver tray engraved with the words, "Louie and Mildred Farmer, 15th Anniversary, BSU Director, University of Southern Mississippi, March 24, 1968." Mrs. Farmer was at the University Hospital in Jackson at the time of the reception and was unable to be present.

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ills and support a pastor at the same time.

It would seem that the greatest needs of these churches are our prayers and financial support. More pastors need to be free to give their full time to pastoring their churches.

Port Angeles, Washington

Hardy R. Denham, Newton. It was my privilege to serve with the Cherry Hill Baptist Church of Port Angeles, Washington the week of February 23-28. Working with me there was Dewitt Pickering, Minister of Music and Education of the First Baptist Church of Ellenville.

The city of Port Angeles is located adjacent to the Olympic National Park in the northwest corner of the state on the strait dividing western Washington from Canada. The Cherry Hill Church is the only Southern Baptist church in that city of 15,500 people. There is no lack of churches in the city, for there are more than 20. However, one wonders how much gospel is being preached there.

The Cherry Hill Church is ten years old. There are approximately 30 families represented in the resident membership, and not all of them are active in church life. The pastor is Fred Jewell, who is in his fourth year of service there.

Southern Baptist are doing a significant work in the northwest. I observed two major handicaps, not only in Port Angeles but other places visited as well. The first is the inability of pastors to give full time to the churches. Because of inadequate salaries (the Cherry Hill pastor receives only \$150.00 monthly from the church) many pastors have to expend valuable time and energy in secular employment. Only one pastor in the Olympic Baptist Association of eight churches and four missions serves full time.

The second handicap is the lack of church facilities—which would be a credit to the local congregation and Southern Baptist in general. The established denominations have facilities that are beautiful, strategically located and most impressive. In many cases this is not true of Southern Baptist churches (though there are exceptions).

Southern Baptist need to be in the northwest, as well as other new areas entered in the last 25 years. But we need to be there all the way. This definitely includes qualified full time pastors and church facilities adequate for a strong base of ministry to the community.

Hebron Calls Pastor

Hebron Church, Grenada, has called Rev. Finley Evans, Crystal Springs, as pastor.

Mr. Evans moves to Hebron after serving Pilgrim's Rest Church, Crystal Springs, as pastor since 1965.

A native of Vardaman, he was ordained by First Church, Vardaman. He graduated from Mississippi College and New Orleans Seminary. He is married to the former Mary Ruth Ramage of Vardaman. Mrs. Evans is a graduate of Mississippi College and is presently teaching English in the Forest Hill School, Jackson. She will join Mr. Evans at Grenada at the conclusion of the present school term.



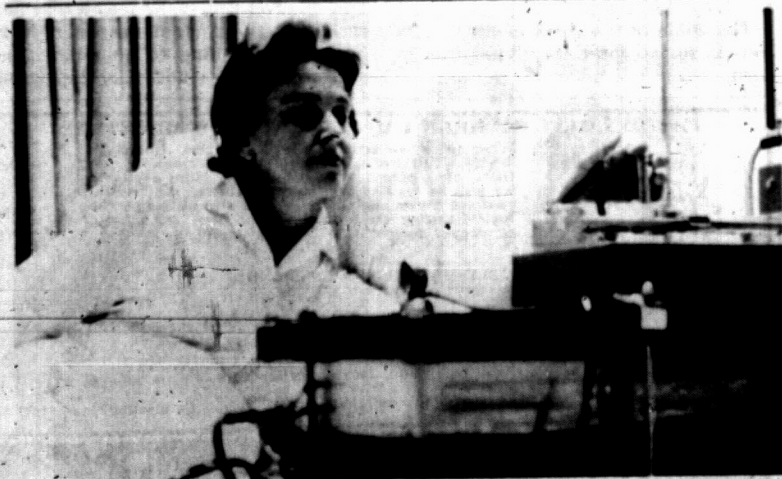
Missionary Dies

Rev. L. E. Blackman, emeritus missionary who served 37 years in China and Hawaii, died Monday, March 24, in a Bat Cave, N. C., hospital. Mr. Blackman, who was 76, had lived in Lake Lure, N. C., since retirement in 1959.

Gunnison To Burn Note

Gunnison Church has paid the indebtedness on its church building and will celebrate this occasion on Sunday, April 13, by burning the note, following the morning worship service.

At the conclusion of the noteburning ceremony, lunch will be served in the fellowship hall. "All former members are invited to attend and join in this happy event," states Rev. Ethert Hagan, pastor.



Hazlehurst Baptist On Kidney Machine

MRS. LOUIS MAHAFFEY — former staff member for Baptist churches in Natchez and Jackson, is among artificial kidney patients at University Hospital in Jackson. A victim of end-stage kidney disease, she has received the lifesaving treatment since last December. Mrs. Mahaffey and her husband are both active members of the First Baptist Church at Hazlehurst, and she has served as church pianist and Sunday School teacher.

She has to schedule her twice-weekly trips to the University and now finds she needs help with her heavier housework. It troubles her, too, that she can't pick up her 18-month old daughter, Elizabeth Ann, because of the tubes in her arm that provide connection for artificial kidney treatment.

The real problem for Mrs. Mahaffey, or anyone who needs artificial kidney treatment, is cost. In-hospital care runs to a minimum of \$10,000 a year.

Once a patient buys a home unit and the other basic equipment, yearly treatment costs drop to about \$3,000, some 70 per cent less than in-hospital charges.

But before patients can handle their own care, they've got to learn how. Medical Center officials say the needed training program will cost about \$100,000. Matching federal funds will be sought for most of that amount but at least \$25,000 will have to be raised in the state first.

To date, individuals and civic groups have given \$9,500 — still more than \$15,000 shy of the goal. Contributions may be made directly to the kidney unit at the Medical Center or through the Mississippi Kidney Foundation in Jackson.

Off The Record

One of the churches in Gulf Coast Association in a recent publication told about a new kind of flu epidemic; it's called the "gone-gone" flu. It seems that many members of this church have the "gone-gone" flu for they are gone somewhere about every Sunday.

Consideration

A revered bishop delivered a speech at a banquet on the night of his arrival in a large city. Because he wanted to repeat some of his stories at meetings the next day, he requested reporters to omit them from their accounts of his speech.

A rookie reporter commenting on the speech finished with the line: "And he told a number of stories that cannot be published."

Calvary Waynesboro

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Earl Brewer served as the decorating committee for the home.

Bids for the annex contract from various construction companies were submitted to trustees Earl Brewer, Chester Cook, Burl Grafton and Roland Smith. On November 19, the church accepted the bid of Moore Construction Company of Petal. Construction began in late November and ended in March.

The church voted to name the annex for Miss Dorothy Parker, in appreciation of her capable and faithful service to the Lord in the church. Miss Parker has served as church clerk for sixteen years. She also serves as general Sunday school secretary and secretary of Adult Training Union Department and WMU.

The Dorothy Parker Annex houses two Nurseries, one Beginner, two Primary Departments, two Young Adult Classes, and offices for the pastor and church secretary, and the Ben W. Goddard Memorial Library. The library was a gift to the church from Mrs. Goddard in memory of her late husband, who served as Wayne County Superintendent of Missions for eight years. It contains books on many subjects of interest to Christians of all ages. The floor is carpeted and on the wall hangs a large portrait of the late Mr. Goddard.

The value of the church property is approximately \$210,000.00, with 532 members.